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PREFATORY NOTE

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INTRODUCTION.

1753 was in many ways a critical year in the fortunes of both the English and the French. The contest into which the English had entered as allies of Muhammad 'Ali with the French, the Dalavai of Mysore and Morari Rao the Maratha, was not without its brilliant victories. Thrice Lawrence defeated his enemies, twice at the Golden Rock and once at the Sugar Loaf Rock, and relieved Trichinopoly, the city in dispute between the Dalavai and the Nawab. But each time his success proved inconclusive mainly because of the suspicions of the Tondiman, the fears of the King of Tanjore, their tardy attempts to supply Trichinopoly with provisions, and the diplomacy of Dupleix who encouraged the Dalavai, bought the Marathas, intimidated the King of Tanjore and offering the Nawabship to Murtaza 'Ali of Vellore instigated him to raise disturbances around Arcot. In the Deccan the fortunes of Bussy at first suffered a temporary eclipse only to revive again with added vigour and lustre; the intrigues of the Diwan Saiyid Lashkar Khan to discredit the French cost the Nizam the cession of four circars of Ellore, Condapalle[1], Rajahmundry and Chicacole. The contest was, indeed, an arduous test as much in warfare and diplomacy as in finances. To the English the wavering attitude of Tanjore, the implacable determination of the Dalavai to secure Trichinopoly through means fair or foul, and the utter poverty and helplessness of the Nawab were as formidable obstacles as they were to the French, the treacherous behaviour of Morari Rao and Murtaza 'Ali, the rapid depletion of the treasury and the stubborn resistance offered by Lawrence and by Saunders and his Council. Before the year closed both parties were weary and exhausted and both sought a temporary respite in the conference at Sadras. The failure of this conference belongs to the succeeding year; but the motives underlying the failure are clearly discernible in the Military Consultations of 1753[2].

The Public Consultations rarely mention the military events of the year. But they forcibly depict the conditions caused by warfare. As in the previous year there was in 1753 the same dearth of investments, the same difficulty of getting the merchants and weavers to fulfil their contracts[3], the same complaints from the farmers of revenue about the losses sustained at the hands of the enemy[4] and even more than the same feverish activity on the part of the Government to supply the army with men, munitions and money. The severest strain was put on the Company's finances and to relax it many expedients were devised and several reforms introduced. The year also witnessed the re-establishment of the Mayor's Court and other Courts of Justice and a thorough enquiry into the affairs of the subordinate settlement of Sumatra.

Saunders was at the head of the Government throughout the year. In the beginning he was assisted by a Council of four members, Charles Boddam, Henry Powney, Alexander Wynch and John Smith. In May a fifth member, Charles Bourchier, was admitted into the Council in the vacancy created by the death of William Cockell[5] (1752). There was nothing remarkable about these Councillors except that, in all vital matters of high policy and administration, they generally co-operated with the Governor to tide over each successive wave of perilous situations. This is notably evident in the ungrudging support they gave to Saunders in his unhappy controversy with Lawrence[6], in

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[1] This is otherwise known as Mustafanagar mentioned in Orme's History—See Maclean, C. D. —Manual of the Administration of the Madras Presidency, Vol. III, page 207.

[2] Diary and Consultation Book, 1753, Military Department.
Orme, R.—History of Indostan, 4th Edition, Vol. I, pages 276–337.
Cambridge, R. O.—War in India, 1750–1760—pages 41–60.
Dodwell, H.—Calendar of Madras Despatches, 1744–55—pages 183–185, 209–213.
Ananda Ranga Pillai's Diary, Vol. VIII, pages 272–448.

[3] See pages 139; 140, 160, 188.

[4] See pages 107, 387.

[5] See pages 134, 137 *sqq.*

[6] This is abundantly shown in the Military Consultations of 1753; e.g. 1–10, 143, 144, 210–212.

the express summons to Richard Starke, the Deputy Governor of Fort St. David, to come to the Presidency at once to explain his grievances and to establish harmony[1], and in the various measures which Saunders proposed to exercise a strict control over the investment, accounts and expenses of the Presidency. Whatever private differences there might have been between them or between them and the Governor they were not yet allowed to affect public affairs[2] which so imperatively demanded goodwill and co-operation.

Almost from the beginning the supply of war material to the camp *via* Fort St. David absorbed the attention of Saunders and his Council[3]. As months passed, as Lawrence marched from Trevedy to Trichinopoly to engage the enemy, the problem became more and more acute. In February, Bombay was requested for a detachment[4]. In March, Captain Polier and his Swiss company newly arrived from Bengal were sent to Fort St. David[5]. When the shipping season was soon to commence, Richard Starke and his Council were informed that the *Winchelsea* was expected to touch at Fort St. David and that they should land from that ship, as also from other ships, which might touch there, all the recruits and military stores[6]. It was apprehended that the French were expecting a large supply of recruits[7], and therefore, the recruits intended for Bengal were landed from Europe ships[8] and Bombay was again pressed for a reinforcement[9]. The military stores sent for the Bay were likewise landed and the Government of Fort William was acquainted with the necessity of the measure[10]. These precautions were undoubtedly wise. For the indents for men and military stores from the camp were pouring in quick succession, and to comply with them, to outmatch the French with a superior force, no avenue could be left unexplored. At the call from the camp in July a detachment under Captain Ridge was ordered to proceed to Devicotta and from there to the camp at the first summons from Lawrence[11]. Of the Swiss recruits landed from Europe ships those intended for the Coast were incorporated in Schaub's and Gaupp's companies and those intended for Bengal were incorporated in Polier's company[12].

Great difficulty was experienced in the provision of gunpowder. Fort St. David, it is true, manufactured gunpowder[13]; but it was quite insufficient to meet the growing demands of the army. Consequently, the first thing done was to order (January) the erection of a Powder Mill in Madras[14], the need for which had been stressed by Brohier, the Engineer, in the previous year[15]. Brohier pitched upon the Egmore Redoubt for its site[14], but its construction was not completed in 1753 though arrangements were made in advance for its necessaries, Devicotta being directed to send piles of Erk-wood for making charcoal[16] and the Military Storekeeper required to have a sufficient quantity of charcoal ready for its use[17]. In the circumstances, the Presidency was greatly dependant on England, on Bengal and on Bombay, for this all important article. Every ship that arrived from England brought ammunition[18], yet, that too was found insufficient, part of the gunpowder intended for Bengal was landed[19] and every Captain was requested to spare what he could[20], and

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[1] See Diary and Consultation Book, 1753, Military Department, pages 75, 76, 78, 82–84, 87–90.
See page 133.

[2] Love, H. D.—Vestiges of Old Madras, Vol. II, page 484 *sqq*.
The case was different in 1754.

[3] See e.g. pages 11, 19.

[4] See page 138.
See Diary and Consultation Book, 1753, Military Department, page 20.
See Letters from Fort St. George, 1753, page 16.

[5] See pages 70, 71, 91.
See Diary and Consultation Book, 1753, Military Department, page 43.

[6] See pages 133, 147.

[7] See page 138.
See Diary and Consultation Book, 1753, Military Department, page 78.

[8] See page 181.

[9] See page 138.

[10] See pages 179, 180, 220, 237.

[11] See Diary and Consultation Book, 1753, Military Department, pages 122, 124, 126, 128, 155.
See page 188.
Note.—A reinforcement under Lieutenant Repington had already been sent from Fort St. David.

[12] See page 225.

[13] See Fort St. George Consultations, 1752, pages 59, 221.
See pages 94, 114.

[14] See page 4.

[15] See Fort St. George Consultations, 1752, page 91.

[16] See pages 119, 142, 187, 351.

[17] See page 394.

[18] See Public Despatches from England, 1753, Ms. Vol. 56, page 38.

[19] See pages 220, 237.

[20] See page 71.

furthermore, both Bombay[1] and Bengal[2] were requisitioned for supplies. The gunpowder received from Bengal was on more than one occasion found entirely worthless[3]. In June, for instance, the Engineer reported that while an ounce of the Fort St. David manufacture carried the shell 43 yards, an ounce of the Bengal manufacture did not move the shell out of the mortar[4]. The Presidency asked Fort St. David to reserve such powder for salutes alone[5] and to send the best variety to the camp. The fact was that the Government of Bengal bought gunpowder from the Moors who showed one sample and sent another insisting on being paid for it before it was delivered at Hooghly[6].

These and other preoccupations concerning the Company's finance and commerce, left little time for the Government to push through the programme of improving the fortifications of Fort St. George. Brohier, we learn, was all the time engaged in the work. When Colonel Scott, the Engineer General, arrived at Madras (August) on his way to Bengal, Brohier was asked to lay all his plans " of the works carrying on and intended " before him[7]. On Scott's recommendation Lieutenant Barker of the Artillery was appointed as assistant to Brohier[8]. A letter from Scott recorded in the Consultations throws some light on the works in progress[9]. He advised that the bricks and chunam should be made with all expedition and that a greater number of coolies and artisans should be employed. This was apparently done[10], and in order that the Company's works might not suffer, it was laid down that no persons employed on them or on the fortifications should undertake the construction of private buildings without the permission of the Government[11]. Brohier desired the continuance of his pay as Engineer in addition to the pay he received as Captain in the Artillery, and a palankeen and a horse for the efficient discharge of his duties, but though these requests were not granted, the allowances of his assistant were increased on his recommendation[12]. The duties of the Engineer were, in fact, increasing. He was asked to survey and repair the gun-carriages[13] and the damages sustained by the buildings in the terrible storm of 1752[14]; to undertake the construction of the Powder Mill[15] and of the Officers' quarters in the square adjoining the demolished Portuguese Church[16]; to estimate the charges of building the S^{t}. Thome Redoubt[17] and the repairs needed for debtors' prison[18] and the hospital[19].

To make room for the military barracks, the hospital fronting the parade ground in the Fort, had been in 1752 ordered to be shifted to Peddanayague Pettah[20]. This transfer actually took place only in May 1753[21]. From that time onward little is mentioned about the hospital till August when Mr. Horseley, a Surgeon's mate, was entertained to assist doctors Turing and Munro[22]. In December a new era began in the management and organization of the hospital. Agreeable to the orders from Home[23] it became customary for one of the members of the Council to visit the hospital almost every week and to lay before the next meeting of the Board, the complaints, if any, from the patients or surgeons[24]. Nothing, however, of any direct benefit resulted from this practice during the year, save that the salivating ward open and leaky in many places was ordered to be repaired[25]. But the indirect benefits from it must have been considerable since it must have naturally contributed to a closer attention of the surgeons on the patients. As we shall see the years to come witnessed innumerable improvements because of this direct supervision by the Government.

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[1] See pages 137, 142, 146.
[2] See pages 63, 87, 100, 147.
[3] See pages 148, 197.
[4] See pages 148, 151.
[5] See page 147.
[6] See page 301.
[7] See page 207.
[8] See pages 224, 227.
[9] See pages 226, 227.
[10] See e.g. page 268.
[11] See page 348.
[12] See pages 225, 228, 255–257.
[13] See pages 140, 143, 145.
[14] See pages 33, 34, 36–38.
[15] See page 4.
[16] See pages 182, 238.
[17] See pages 324, 331, 341.
[18] See pages 306, 323, 328.
[19] See page 386.
[20] See Fort St. George Consultations, 1752, pages 120, 123.
[21] See page 134.
[22] See page 237.
[23] See Public Despatches from England, 1751–52, Ms. Vol. 55, page 68.
[24] See pages 377, 386, 395, 399,
[25] See page 386.

One of the problems with which the surgeons as well as the Government were faced was the ill health and sickness among the Coffrees or slaves imported from Africa. The policy of utilizing the males in the military on the Coast and the females in the pepper plantations of Sumatra has been alluded to in the previous volume [1]. In 1753 this policy could not be effectually carried out owing to smallpox and other diseases with which the Coffrees were afflicted[2]. James Calvineer who had contracted to diet them was paid extra allowances for the special diet he had to provide them on doctors' orders. The sick, we are told, were " very frequently " served with chicken, etc. It was resolved in July that in future the Coffrees should be allowed the same pay as the military to diet themselves as it " will be more satisfactory to themselves as well as less expensive to the Company[3]." That the Government were ever solicitous about their welfare is seen by the fact that, when the *Dragon* arrived with a fresh cargo of slaves from Madagascar, the same salutary rules as were made in 1752 to house and to look after them were enforced[4]. Besides the Coffree women were directed to be cloathed, a Coffree smith was granted an allowance[5] and, on doctors' advice, the Coffrees intended for Sumatra were ordered to be detained on the Coast till their complete recovery[6].

A serious revolt of the Coffrees could have crippled one of the major schemes launched by the Company. This occurred, however, not on the Coast but in Negrais where an expedition was sent under David Hunter[7]. Since several allusions to this expedition are given in the Public Consultations, it is well to trace here briefly its course till the close of 1753. Under the impulsion of the Directors who wished to revive trade with Burma and to secure a safe harbour for repairing and refitting ships of large burden, the Government in 1752 directed Robert Westgarth to establish a Residency at Pegu[8], and Thomas Taylor to make a settlement at Negrais[9]. The King of Pegu, a Tailung, who had recently raised himself to the throne after a crushing victory over the Burmese, granted readily enough the permission to re-establish trade relations with Syrian, a city in the proximity of his capital[10]. But to the proposal to set up a fortified factory at Negrais he and his brother, Upper Raja, were opposed though they sometimes made promises and often gave some hopes[11]. This was mainly, it would seem, due to the influence of M. Bruno, a French envoy of Dupleix at the Court of Pegu[12]. By the beginning of 1753 it was perfectly clear that what was needed to achieve success, to dislodge the French, was an expedition under an experienced commander willing to co-operate but capable, if necessary, to carry conviction at the threat of force. Such a project was matured by the Directors and accordingly David Hunter, the Governor of St. Helena, arrived in Madras and started from there with an assistant, a few Company's vessels, some Coffrees, a small force, an engineer and a few artisans[13]. But the expedition was doomed to meet great disappointments. No sooner had Hunter reached Negrais and set himself busy to fortify the place, than the Coffrees revolted, sickness took a heavy toll, and the swamps and marshes of the forests made their stay exceedingly precarious[14]. Hunter himself fell ill[15]. The Presidency encouraged him to persevere[16], remitted the customs on King's goods[17], ordered for the King and his brother two costly palankeens[18], and being unable in the midst of warfare to render adequate

[1] See Fort St. George Consultations, 1752, page 173.
[2] See pages 169, 346.
[3] See page 169.
[4] See page 251.
See Fort St. George Consultations, 1752, page 165.
[5] See page 293.
[6] See page 346.
[7] See Diary and Consultation Book, 1753, Military Department, page 173 *sqq*.
[8] See Diary and Consultation Book, 1752, Military Department, page 3.
[9] See Diary and Consultation Book, 1752, Military Department, pages 19–21, 59–63.
[10] See Diary and Consultation Book, 1753, Military Department, pages 17, 18.
[11] See Diary and Consultation Book, 1752, Military Department, pages 79–82.
See Diary and Consultation Book, 1753, Military Department, pages 17, 48.
[12] See Diary and Consultation Book, 1753, Military Department, pages 29–32.
[13] See Diary and Consultation Book, 1753, Military Department, pages 47–52.
[14] See Diary and Consultation Book, 1753, Military Department, pages 173–177.
[15] He died there on 24th December (See Diary and Consultation Book, 1754, Military Department, page 14).
[16] See Diary and Consultation Book, 1753, Military Department, pages 185–187.
[17] See Diary and Consultation Book, 1753, Military Department, page 53.
See page 242.
[18] See Diary and Consultation Book, 1753, Military Department, page 53.
See pages 255, 264, 265.

assistance to Hunter, requested Bengal to send him men and supplies[1]. But nothing tangible resulted. Experience suggested to Hunter that Persaim was far more healthy and better suited for trade than Negrais. Thither he sent Taylor to explore the ground and approached the King for permission[2]. The King promised but did nothing. The palankeens were consequently retained to be sent under more propitious circumstances[3]. More about this expedition will be noticed in the succeeding volumes. Suffice it to remark here that, though the King of Pegu gave but little encouragement, that of Tavoy, in fear of the Dutch, invited the English to settle in his kingdom and promised every facility in the trade in tin, etc[4].

While the affairs at Negrais were far from flourishing the affairs at Fort Marlborough were fast descending into chaos. Though that settlement was subordinate to Fort St. George it was conducting its transactions on quite independent lines, separated as it was by a stretch of the sea which made any effective supervision illusory. Its management does not seem to have attracted early attention either at Home or at the Presidency. We hear little about it in the Consultations of the previous years, save in connection with the Company's shipping, the supplies of stores and provisions, and occasional friction with the country powers and with the Dutch at Batavia. In 1752 the Directors demanded a thorough enquiry into its affairs[5] and on the receipt of their orders in the following year[6] Saunders and his Council resolutely set themselves to further the undertaking. The primary step was to appoint Supervisors, and this was by no means easy as both Walsh and Drake, the two persons selected, put up excuses of ill health, being unwilling to sacrifice their prospects on the Coat[7]. At length after a tedious controversy Drake who occupied the third rank in the Council of Fort St. David was censured for his refusal[8] and John Pybus was selected in his stead [9]. Walsh was compelled to acquiesce [10] and he and Pybus were appointed Supervisors[11]. Meanwhile a committee consisting of Saunders, Boddam and Powney[12], having waded through a whole mass of correspondence with Sumatra, produced a masterly report[13] as scathing in its criticism of the past as it was helpful in its suggestions for the future.

The report touched upon many matters. The Company's vessels from Sumatra had been often sent to Batavia for private trade[14]. A notorious neglect had been shown in keeping the smaller vessels and sloops in repair[15]. Little attention had been bestowed in lading the Company's ships[16]. There had been a steady decrease in the produce of pepper and this was due, not, as was alleged, to smallpox, nor to the arbitrary and oppressive customs of the country, nor to the idleness and ignorance of the planter, nor again to the badness of the soil and the nature of the crops, but to a " gross Neglect and Indolence " of those in authority who had dropped the surveys and taken no pains to improve cultivation. The only way to restore the investment to its former flourishing condition was to make regular surveys, to compare the produce of the current with that of the preceding year, to reward the industrious and to punish the lazy[17]. It was essential to examine whether the several subordinate settlements that had been kept up really answered the purpose. " We had hopes that the several new settlements they had made would have been of considerable Advantage to the Company, but this does not appear." It was equally essential to make

[1] See Diary and Consultation Book, 1753, Military Department, pages 39, 177.
See page 101.

[2] See Diary and Consultation Book, 1753, Military Department, pages 175. 176.

[3] See Diary and Consultation Book, 1753, Military Department, page 186.

[4] See Diary and Consultation Book, 1753, Military Department, pages 36–38.

[5] See Public Despatches from England, 1752–53, Ms. Vol. 56, page 95.

[6] See Public Despatches from England, 1752–53, Ms. Vol. 56, pages 79–88.
See page 186.

[7] See pages 193, 199, 223.

[8] See pages 242, 267, 268, 282, 291, 303.

[9] See page 303.

[10] See pages 223, 237.

[11] See pages 303, 322.

[12] See page 236.

[13] See pages 303, 306–318.

[14] See page 307.

[15] See page 308.

[16] See page 308.

[17] See pages 308, 309.

intensive scrutiny into the new acquisitions to see if they admitted of improvement and if the money spent on them now could be recovered in the future. The reckless propensity to extend the Company's settlements without any serious consideration should be curbed[1]. The most friendly relations should be established with the country powers[2]. The Supervisors must also " inform themselves whether justice is duely and impartially administered ", and rectify all irregularities. " It won't be amiss to enquire whether the leading Men are treated with the Respect due to their different stations "[3]. No Company's servant should be dismissed without the previous consent of the Presidency. At most he could only be suspended, and every person must be allowed the free liberty of defending himself. " In their consultations they should keep up a decent Decorum and not suffer themselves to be molested with noisy Altercations, whoever presumes at this should be ordered to withdraw, when any subject is proposed it should be debated calmly, every one suffered to give his opinion without Interruption, and when put to the Vote, the voices should be collected from the youngest in Council to the Deputy Governor and not from the Deputy Governor to the Youngest in Council as it is at present "[4].

This frank disclosure of unpalatable facts, this earnest endeavour to cleanse the Augean stables, to put the settlement on a firm footing, does much credit to Saunders as well as his colleagues of the West Coast Committee. The Supervisors were not only supplied with a copy of the report but armed with special powers over the Deputy Governor and Council of Fort Marlborough[5]. In November they started on their mission[6], but from that time till the end of the year we do not come across the affairs of Sumatra.

In Fort Marlborough as well as in Madras the Government more than once came into conflict with the Dutch. The relations between the two nations could have been strained but for the tact and good sense shown by Saunders and his Council. Whenever complaints were preferred by the Dutch they were examined, and, if found justifiable, redressed. On a complaint from the Governor of Negapatam that some sepoys under Pigot's orders from Vizagapatam had forcibly entered into the Dutch territory and taken away a refugee, Pigot was reprimanded for his misconduct[7]. When Batavia complained that Fort Marlborough had erected fortifications and made a settlement at Natal contrary to the treaties subsisting between the Dutch and the country chieftains, the Deputy Governor and Council of Sumatra were directed to make a strict enquiry into the allegations of the Dutch, to abandon Natal if their claims were just, to refer for further orders if their claims should prove unfounded. The Government of Fort Marlborough seems to have settled at Natal with the approbation of the Presidency. But when the Presidency approved they did not know about the agreements of the Dutch, and hence it was, that the enquiry was ordered and the fact reported to Batavia with a request to produce copies of their agreements[8]. The Dutch likewise showed good sense in assisting the Captain of the *Delawar* to refit his battered ship at Galle, in providing facilities for him at Batavia[9], and in compensating, on a representation from Saunders and his Council, Captain Burman for the unjust seizure of his *Surprise* sloop at Padang[10]. Saunders and his Council believed that so long as the Company's interests were safeguarded there was no reason to disturb harmony in their relations with the Dutch[11].

We may now turn to a subject of most absorbing interest, the Company's investment on the Coromandel Coast. Commerce can hardly flourish where war prevails, and the fever of warfare which raged in the Carnatic and spread in the Deccan undermined the Company's investment. The weavers found it impossible to pursue their trade in peace, the merchants felt it precarious to entrust them with money, and the Government experienced much difficulty in

[1] See page 309.
[2] See pages 309, 310.
[3] See page 310.
[4] See pages 310, 311.
[5] See pages 303, 322.
[6] See page 351.
[7] See pages 78, 87, 88.
[8] See pages 127, 138, 139.
[9] See pages 1, 2, 89, 108, 114, 235.
[10] See pages 108, 110–113, 138, 305.
[11] See page 303.

procuring merchants who could be expected to carry out their contracts, and having procured them, in advancing them sufficient funds at a time when the demands from the camp practically impoverished the treasury. Yet several efforts were made to encourage the investment both in Madras and the Subordinate Factories.

It has been seen in the previous volume that the clouds which threatened to engulf Ingeram, Bandermalanka and Vizagapatam, the three Northern Factories were dispelled by the murder of Ramdas Pantaloo[1] and the friendliness shown by the Raja of Viziaram Razu[2]. The Raja granted Nellapallee and other towns[3] and Coringa[4] and the Resident of Ingeram took possession of them early in 1753[5]. For some time the affairs continued fairly quiet, and Westcott the Resident of Ingeram, Andrews the Resident of Bandermalanka and Pigot and his Council at Vizagapatam found little difficulty in procuring as much cloth and calicoes as possible and lading them on vessels to Madras[6]. They were periodically supplied with money for the investment[7] and in May, on orders from Home specially asked to encourage it[8] and to try if painting could be done cheaper in the Deccan[9]. The paintings done at Vizagapatam proved bad, the colours, particularly red, too dull for the Europe market. Pigot was asked to make another trial[10]. Meanwhile they were finding their prospects barred by a series of obstacles. In April Vizagapatam complained of the dearness of cotton and the scarcity of dubs[11] (copper money), with which alone the weavers could buy thread and supply their daily needs[12]. In May the same difficulty was reported from Bandarmalanka[13]; while Ingeram alluded to another cloud in the horizon, the renewal of the quarrel between the Raja and the Nawab of Rajahmundry[13]. In July Vizagapatam remarked that they had little prospect of increasing the investment "as the Merchants are extreamly backward in bringing in Cloth, either through the Dearness of Cotton, the Scarcity of Copper Money or that a very strict regard is paid to the sortments, though in all other Respects They had every Indulgence shewn them"[14]. Saunders and his Council were not slow to assess the situation. They knew that the money they had sent in Madras Pagodas and Rupees was of very little avail in the face of the scarcity of dubs. In July they ordered that 10 candies of copper should be coined and sent thither at the earliest opportunity[15]. But this order could not be complied with as the Mint was wholly engaged in coining the treasure intended for Bengal[16]. In August therefore 60 candies of copper were sent to Vizagapatam to be coined there for the three settlements[17]. Here again as ill luck would have it, it was not till the close of the year that the persuasion of Pigot and the representation of Saunders extorted from the Nawab the grant of permission to coin dubs at Vizagapatam. The Nawab was afraid of incurring the displeasure of the French who were great with Salabat Jang: and so he hesitated, and at last consented to the coining of dubs only for the use of the Company's factories[18]. But it was too late. For, by that time events had moved swiftly towards a crisis. To the scarcity of copper money had been added an intensive competition of the French from Masulipatam and a fierce fighting between the Nawab and the Raja. The French were encouraging all merchants to trade with them by accepting whatever cloth was brought in, whether good, bad or indifferent, at a high price[19]. The Nawab and the Raja were burning and pillaging the villages, driving the weavers from their houses, and levying contributions on

[1] See Fort St. George Consultations, 1752, pages 90, 96.
[2] See Fort St. George Consultations, 1752, page 95.
[3] See Fort St. George Consultations, 1752, page 151.
[4] See page 78.
[5] See pages 31, 78.
[6] See pages 11, 30, 31, 63, 78.
[7] See pages 33, 50, 109, 115, 156, 192.
[8] See page 134.
[9] See pages 135, 156.
[10] See page 393.
[11] A small copper coin. (See Hobson-Jobson, page 327).
[12] See page 100.
[13] See page 137.
[14] See pages 187, 188.
[15] See page 168.
[16] See page 209.
[17] See page 224.
[18] See pages 302, 303,351, 392,
[19] See pages 254, 283, 399.

the people[1]. In this quarrel it is interesting to note that the Company's settlements maintained neutrality despite much pressure from both parties[2]. When the Raja propoed to buy peace from the Nawab for 5½ lakhs of Rupees and requested Pigot for an advance, he was told that Vizagapatam had hardly any money to spare[3]: when the Nawab demanded of Westcott, the rents of the towns granted by the Raja he was put off by the excuse that they were due only in December[4]. Eventually the Raja joined by Naranda, a Northern Chieftain, gained a complete victory over the Nawab[5], and by tact and timely assistance rendered to the Raja's wounded men, Pigot obtained from him permission to hoist English colours at Connara, a place where the French had intended to settle in order to ruin the English trade[6]. This, however, was to little purpose. The grant of the four circars by Salabat Jang to Bussy[7] created at once a potential menace which was soon to overwhelm all the three Northern Factories.

Conditions were not better at Fort St. David. In January and February the Deputy Governor and Council were able to send a respectable quantity of bales to lade the ships bound for England[8]. But, as the French occupation at Trevedy continued, as Chidambaram fell to the enemy, the merchants became slow in bringing in cloth; the Salem merchants represented that they could not send any without an escort for fear of being pillaged on the way[9]. With the shifting of the scene of action to Trichinopoly (May) and the continuous stream of demands for supplies of money from the camp, Fort St. David was frequently drained of its treasury and therefore, as frequently was compelled to make demands on the Presidency for advancing money to the merchants[10]. The Presidency tried their utmost to satisfy these demands[11] and requested Lawrence to send an escort to the Salem merchants[12]. Yet, Fort St. David still complained of want of sufficient funds to carry on the investment[13] while Lawrence found it impossible to spare the escort[14]. In these trying circumstances the Presidency made every effort to retrieve the situation. The Deputy Governor and Council of Fort St. David were asked to keep a strict watch over their accounts[15], to insist on the merchants to reduce their balances, (which in one case amounted to more than 18,000 pagodas[16]), to advance no more than 5,000 pagodas at a time to each merchant[17], to grant no more advances until they had cleared of their outstanding balances, and not to make any advances to the Salem merchants who could not be expected to bring in their cloth[18]. Fort St. David promised to adhere to these instructions, and in the meantime, being unable to secure much cloth from the old merchants, engaged a new merchant Paupa Razu, an agent of Linga Chittee, to provide for the investment[19]. This merchant succeeded in fulfilling his contracts[20] but the Presidency resented the action of the Deputy Governor and Council who had employed him without their previous consent[21]. Towards the end of the year, the blue dyers at Fort St. David complained that a cambination of the dealers in indigo had doubled the price of that article and the Deputy Governor and Council requested whether such a monopoly highly injurious to the Company's investment might not be prohibited[22]. The reply sent by Saunders and his Council is full of interest. They observed that " all such Combinations should be prevented if possible without the immediate Interposition of Power, which is inconsistent with the Liberty of an English Colony and on which alone Trade can flourish, but that if the Exportation of that Commodity were prohibited, it might have the desired Effect[23]."

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[1] See pages 137, 208, 351, 368, 371, 391.
[2] See pages 352, 391, 392.
[3] See page 321.
[4] See page 351.
[5] See pages 368, 371, 391.
[6] See page 392.
[7] See page 399.
[8] See pages 4, 48.
[9] See page 235.
[10] See pages 70, 119, 126, 142, 267, 272, 273, 329.
[11] See pages 43, 90, 153, 236, 283, 347.
[12] See page 242.
See Diary and Consultation Book, 1753, Military Department, page 148.
[13] See e.g. page 321.
[14] See pages 267, 347.
[15] See e.g. page 119.
[16] See pages 119, 127, 188.
[17] See pages 283, 347,
[18] See page 347.
[19] See pages 321, 361.
[20] See page 391.
[21] See pages 347, 392.
[22] See page 391.
[23] See page 392.

The difficulty of transporting cloth from the weaving towns in the interior to Fort St. David suggested to Saunders and his Council the expediency of considering an investment at Devicotta. Devicotta had hitherto served solely as a magazine for military stores from where supplies could be conveniently despatched *via* Tanjore to Trichinopoly. But it was nearer to Shiyali, a cloth manufacturing centre, and consequently it might be expected to yield considerable saving in transport charges. It had, however, to be considered what effect the change would have on the Fort St. David investment, and whether the expenses of erecting godowns and maintaining a proper staff at Devicotta would not be exorbitant. The matter was therefore referred to Fort St. David and Devicotta and they were asked to make a thorough and impartial investigation and to offer their opinions (November)[1]. Fort St. David reported unfavourably: that the change would interfere with their investment and " probably embroil the merchants of the two settlements who would be obliged to provide their Cloth in the same towns." At the same time they suggested that, if proper godowns were built at Devicotta to enable their merchants to lodge their cloth in security as soon as it was manufactured, and if the King of Tanjore was induced to let the cloth pass from the weaving towns near Devicotta free of juncan, more cloth could be produced at cheaper rates[2]. As Devicotta did not send in its report during the year[3], the Presidency did not pass any orders.

In Madras itself the investment came up for consideration as soon as the Europe ships began to arrive. In May, when the *Clinton* and the *Suffolk* brought the list of the investment to be provided on the Coast, extracts from this list relating to the subordinate settlements were distributed and the Madras merchants were summoned before the Board[4]. They were harangued on the complaints from Home about the dabasement of several manufactures, particularly of the long cloth ordinary, and warned that, unless they promised amendment and undertook to provide cloth on the same terms as those of last year, the Government would be compelled to introduce a new set of merchants. " We should not only reject every Piece of Goods unfit for the Europe Market or inferior to Muster, but in that case require them immediately to make good their respective Balances ". To this, Tellasingha Chittee in the name of the whole group replied that the causes of the debasement were, the unsettled state of the country, which rendered labour as well as materials of all sorts costly, the risks involved in advancing money to the weavers and transporting the goods from the villages into the town. It was " in vain to expect the same species of Goods . . . for the same Prices as were formerly given." Still, they would undertake the investment and promise improvement so far as the circumstances permitted, not with a view to immediate profit, but with a view to avoid being called upon to make good their balances " which would as greatly affect their Credit as the name of the Company's Merchant is a support to it in the other Branches of their Trade." Saunders and his Council being perfectly sensible of the justice of these remarks determined to try them again at least for one year, and engaged with each set to provide the same sortments as before[5]. In July, each of the three sets of merchants of ordinary goods, Tellasingha Chittee and Cundapah Chittee, Gundaveddy Venkata Ramah and Nella Chittee and Sunca Venkata Ramah and Ambalatody Chittee were advanced 5,000 pagodas[6].

The provision of the fine goods was taken up early in August. It will be recollectd that in 1752, Linga Chittee, the principal merchant in this branch, had been severely reprimanded about the badness of his manufacture and, in accordance with the policy formulated, he and his partners had been compelled to agree to an abatement of 5 per cent[7]. This procedure had created

[1] See page 354.
[2] See pages 377, 378.
[3] See page 391.
[4] See page 135.
[5] See pages 139, 140.
[6] See page 194.
[7] See Fort St. George Consultations, 1752, pages 183, 191.

some discontent among them and the President therefore had cautiously sounded new merchants and ascertained that Tellasingha Chitte was not unwilling to accept the proposed terms[1]. When therefore Linga Chittee absolutely refused to undertake part of the investment at an abatement of 5 per cent. Tellasingha Chittee was called in. He agreed to the proposed terms and at first chose as his partner Gundaveddy Venkata Ramah, but later, after the Board had approved this selection, selected Linga Chittee and Servanah Chittee as partners and gave up Gundaveddy. But the Board insisted on the inclusion of Gundaveddy into the contract and declared that each should have a fourth part of the investment. The other three consented after some discussion and all the four were advanced 20,000 pagodas to begin with[2].

In September and December the Painters, Tonapah and his partners were given the usual advances[3]. In the former month, on a complaint from the washers that their conicoplys had defrauded them of large sums the washers were allowed to choose their own conicoplys[4]. It is creditable to note that no complaints from the Madras merchants were heard during the year.

A few points relating to the goods imported from Europe call for remarks. Broad cloth damaged in the late storm of 1752, which had been sold to the merchants but which they refused to clear from the Company's warehouse on the ground that the Company should bear the loss was ordered in April to be sold in auction[5]. It was, however, actually auctioned in November after previous notice was given to encourage bidders that the cloth would be delivered to the buyers for one month's trust[6]. There was really no demand for broad cloth, and for this reason the bales received during the season were not put up for sale in 1753. But as the Directors had positively ordered that it should be sold the same season it arrived, it was directed to be put up at outcry on the 30th January 1754[7]. As the medleys received during the season were very much spotted and mildewed, a defect which had also been noticed for several years past, the fact was reported to the Directors. On a complaint from the inhabitants that the Company's velvets and camblets were retailed at a much higher price than was customary, they were ordered " to be retailed in future at the usual advance[8]." Iron was put up at outcry in July[9]; lead in August[10]. Copper put up for sale with lead having had no bidders was auctioned in September[11].

In this period of chronic turmoil, of falling investments and diminishing market for foreign goods, no problem harassed Saunders and his Council more than the problem of finance. For finance was bound up with four great issues; the great demands of the army, the utter poverty of the Nawab, the scarcity of gold, and the insufficiency of treasure sent from Home. Saunders and his Council therefore had always to be vigilant and resourceful. The Military Consultations of 1753 bear eloquent testimony to their efforts to induce the Nawab to bestow more attention on his revenues, to pay up his large debts to the Company, and if not, to put an end to the wasteful war by coming to terms with the Dalavai, even at the cost of losing Trichinopoly[12]. The Public Consultations describe their endeavours to supply the needs of the army and the investment, to avoid the perils created by the scarcity of gold, and to supplement the insufficiency of treasure received from England. As will be seen, every source of revenue was carefully supervised and every attempt made to economize expenditure where economy could be practised with safety.

The scarcity of gold continued throughout the year: and this meant also a scarcity of pagodas with which all Government payments were made. To minimize this evil, to maintain always a sufficiency of pagodas in stock for

[1] See page 203.
[2] See pages 203, 204, 206.
[3] See pages 256, 394.
[4] See pages 269, 273.
The word 'Conicoply' means a native clerk or writer. (See Hobson-Jobson, page 246).
[5] See pages 119, 120.
[6] See pages 353, 354, 372,374, 375.
[7] See page 393.
[8] See page 305.
[9] See pages 182, 184.
[10] See pages 225, 232.
[11] See pages 225, 274, 278–280.
[12] Diary and Consultation Book, 1753, Military Department, pages 72, 73, 76, 77, 94, 98–100, 103, 108, 109, 113, 115, 116, 118, 131, 132, 134–139, 144, 145, 149, 150, 158, 182, 183, 188, 189, 193–196, 217.

defraying expenses rupees were sold for pagodas almost every month, often more than once in a month[1]. Yet this evil was not so formidable as the enormous demands of the army which came from Fort St. David. The usual method of remittances was by bills: bills drawn on the Presidency in favour of persons who had lent money to Fort St. David were cleared as fast as they were presented. Such bills were very frequently drawn[2]. The Presidency also remitted bills[3] on substantial persons, on the Company's servants or on the representatives of the well-known bankers of that age, Bucanjee Cossidass[4]. During May the Presidency found it inconvenient to honour bills drawn at short notice and ordered Fort St. David to issue no bills of less than 10 days sight[5]. The Deputy Governor and Council, however, felt it impossible to carry out this order the moment the demands from the camp became pressing, and so, the order had to be withdrawn[6]. Many a time when no bills could be drawn and Fort St. David was short of money the Presidency had to send cash from its own coffers or by borrowing[7]. The situation at Fort St. David became critical when Lawrence set out on his march from Trevedy to Trichinopoly taking with him a large sum of money from the treasury[8] (April). From that time to December either on account of the investment or on account of the army, innumerable requests for money came from Fort St. David[9]. In November, we are informed 20,000 pagodas were lent by Saunders to comply with one of these requests[10].

The Company's ships as usual arrived from England between May and August: the *Clinton* and the *Suffolk* in May[11]; the *Marlborough*, the *Edgbaston* and the *Boscawen* in June[12]; the *Montfort*, the *Harcourt*, the *Portfield*, the *Falmouth*, the *Egmont* and the *Elizabeth* in July[13]; the *Winchelsea* and the *Dragon* in August[14]. They brought, save the last, bullion for the Coast as well as for the Bay[15]. As soon as the bullion was landed and reported to be correct by the Committee of Treasury, it was sent to the Mint for coining. Coining had to be done with all expedition not only for the needs of Madras and its subordinate settlements[16], but for supplies to Bengal[17]. The Mint was technically under the direct control of the Governor, who was the Mint Master; but it was immediately, it would seem, under Linga Chittee, who was answerable for the bullion delivered into the Mint and who contracted to coin money[18]. There was also an Assay Master whose business was to assay the coins and to point out any deficiency in their fineness. His duties were thus important as the credit of the Company depended on the genuineness of the coins that it issued. On one occasion in 1753, he was severely reprimanded for his remissness[19].

Though the Mint was busy all the year round, the Government discovered in August that the treasure consigned to the Coast was inadequate to meet its demands. The Accountant calculated that the expenses of the Coast settlements for the current year would exceed by 1½ lakhs of pagodas the total of the supplies received from Europe and the produce of the revenues. To supply the deficiency Saunders and his Council hit upon the only possible solution, the detention of part of the treasure intended for Bengal, and informed that Presidency that they had been obliged to take that step because of the most pressing needs of the army[20]. Fort William complained that the Company's orders for their investment amounted to about double the treasure that had been sent them, that unless they were supplied with all the treasure sent for

[1] See pages 3, 5, 11, 51, 72, 80, 90, 128, 136, 140, 148, 155, 157, 159, 169, 189, 201, 245, 256, 270, 275, 286, 294, 324, 349, 355, 367, 380, 401.

[2] See the monthly cash accounts in the volume, e.g. pages 39–41, 73–76.

[3] See pages 120, 371, 378.

[4] See pages 377, 386.

[5] See page 127.

[6] See page 142.

[7] See pages 153, 236, 332, 347, 400.

[8] See pages 118, 119.

[9] See pages 70, 119, 142, 267, 272, 273, 329.

[10] See page 371.

[11] See page 132.

[12] See pages 152, 158, 159.

[13] See pages 179, 185, 186, 195, 196.

[14] See pages 207, 251.

[15] See pages 164, 165, 176, 177, 214, 215, 262.

[16] See page 134.

[17] See page 209.

[18] See pages 134, 135, 140.

[19] See pages 193, 225, 230, 231.

[20] See page 237.

them by the Company, they would be compelled to raise loans at high interest[1]. But they were told that necessity alone had prompted that measure and that the Directors had approved it[2].

By this method, and by exercising a stringent control over expenditure in general, Saunders and his Council hoped to triumph over the situation. A strict watch was kept throughout over the accounts of the subordinate settlements and, whenever they were backward in transmitting them, they were warned[3]. In Madras itself all branches of administration, notably the construction and repair of buildings, were carefully supervised. For every construction the Engineer was first asked to prepare estimates: no repairs above 50 pagodas were ordered to be made without an order of consultation[4]. On the suggestion of Saunders the Accountant was ordered to draw up monthly abstract of the expenses of the settlement compared with the preceding month, explaining the causes of increase and decrease, so that, a strict watch over expenditure might be maintained. In accordance with the orders of the Directors he was also asked to draw up, soon after the arrival of the Coast and Bay ships and the landing of treasure, an account specifying what treasure might be necesary for the use of the Coast settlements for the current year, mentioning the sums required for the investment, fortifications, camp, bonds, etc.[5].

Of the sources of revenue, customs and other duties (see pages 407, 408) did not call for much attention. There was, however, a conspicuous instance in which the Government tried to augment customs: in order that the land customs of Madras might be increased an old regulation prohibiting vessels from Bengal from landing at any Moors ports to the southward of Madras was revived and Fort William requested to publish this regulation[6]. But in the matter of the Company's farms the Government had to be constantly on the alert to see that no requests for remissions were granted out of all proportion to the losses sustained by the renters. In February the farmers of Paddy Fields and Salt-pans represented that they had sustained considerable losses in the late storm and prayed for a proportionate abatement in their rents. The Board disallowed this claim on the ground that the terms of their cowles did not permit such allowances as they expressly stated that the benefits as well as the losses should be shared by the farmers[7]. It has been seen in the previous volume that the renters of Poonamallee requested for remission on account of the damages sustained from the enemy in 1752 and were granted a remission of 12,000 pagodas[8]. This sum they alleged was quite insufficient and failed to remit the rents due in June 1752. There was no reason whatsoever to believe their exaggerations and so in May 1753 Saunders peremptorily insisted on their payments due " unless they would take the most solemn Oath before their God in the Pagoda according to the Custom of the Gentous that their Damages really and bona fide amounted to more[9]." This had the desired effect and the dues were paid in June[10]. The same month the Board undertook to make detailed enquiries in regard to the value of the Poonamallee farm with a view to reletting it on the expiry of the current cowle (July)[11] and eventually farmed it out to Rayal Pundit, a substantial Brahminy of Trivelore. He undertook to rent the country for a year for 35,000 pagodas and to repair the tanks which were greatly damaged at his own expense, provided he was given preference for farming it again the next year, or in default, paid the expenses he had incurred over the repairs[12]. Nor was this all. It was resolved to examine all cases of arrears due from the farmers before the loss of Madras and, for this purpose, a committee was appointed[13]. And when in December the farmers of St. Thome etc. villages applied for remission on account of

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[1] See page 321.
[2] See page 322.
[3] See pages 119, 188, 306, 323, 352.
[4] See page 182.
[5] See page 181.
[6] See pages 154, 301–303.
[7] See pages 49, 50.
[8] See Fort St. George Consultations, 1752, pages 34, 71, 91, 135–137, 183.
[9] See page 143.
[10] See pages 148, 286.
[11] See page 155.
[12] See page 255.
[13] See pages 285, 293, 393.

the losses sustained from the ravages of Raja Sahib, which they asserted amounted to more than 2000 pagodas, they were allowed no more than 1000 pagodas unless they swore in their Pagodas as to the verity of their accounts[1].

The year 1753 is memorable for the re-establishment of the Mayor's Court in Madras. The Old Mayor's Court had vanished with the loss of Madras to the French in 1747; and the Company's counsel having held that it could not be revived except by a new Charter, the Charter was obtained by the Directors and transmitted early in 1753[2]. To understand better the action taken by the Government on receipt of the Charter it is necessary to know briefly its provisions. There was to be a Mayor's Court, a Court of Oyer and Terminer and Gaol Delivery and Justices of the Peace and a Court of Requests. The Mayor's Court was to consist of a Mayor and 9 Aldermen. They were to assemble on the first Tuesday in every December and nominate two persons one of whom was to be chosen by the President and Council as Mayor for the ensuing year. Vacancies among Aldermen must be filled by the President and Council who also must fine all persons refusing to serve as Aldermen. The Court was empowered to decide all civil suits arising at Madras or at the Subordinate Factories, save those between Indians and those under the value of 5 pagodas. It might imprison for debts, frame rules of procedure subject to the Company's approval and grant Probates of wills and Letters of Administration. The Company were liable to be sued in it. It was to examine Christians upon oath, Quakers upon affirmation and Indians according to caste custom. Appeals were to lie to the President and Council whose decision up to 1000 pagodas was to be final. Further appeals for larger sums were to lie to the King in Council. The President and members of the Council were to be Justices of the Peace, were to hold Quarter Sessions, were to be Commissioners of Oyer and Terminer and Goal Delivery for dealing with all offences, save high treason. The President and Council were to name the first Commissioners of the Court of Requests numbering not less than 8 nor more than 24. On the first Tuesday of every December half the Commissioners must go out when the remainder must elect persons to fill vacancies. This Court was to hear and determine summarily all suits to the value of 5 pagodas and under. A Sheriff was to be appointed annually by the President and Council who might also appoint an Accountant General to the Mayor's Court[3].

This Charter with an explanatory Despatch, with instructions for the procedure of the Courts and with law books arrived on the *Falmouth* on the 24th July[4]. Saunders and his Council at once set themselves to enforce it. During the last week of July and the whole of August they were busily engaged on this work. On the 30th the Board took the oaths of Justices of the Peace, and Commissioners of Oyer and Terminer and Gaol Delivery and considered the question of the appointment of the new Mayor and Aldermen. The Charter named Cornelius Goodwin as Mayor and William Percival, Dawsonne Drake, Robert Clive, Samuel Banks, John Walsh, Samuel Greenhaugh, George Mackay, Andrew Ross and William Roberts as Aldermen. Of these Goodwin and Clive had left for Europe, while Drake, Banks and Roberts had become unqualified for office by their absence from Madras for over a year. The vacancies thus created were filled up by the appointment of William Percival as Mayor and Andrew Munro, Edward Edwards, Richard Fairfield, John Browning and John Smith as Aldermen[5]. The new Mayor and Aldermen were sworn on the 2nd August and supplied along with the exemplification of the Charter and a book of instructions, the Company's order directing them to give cost to the defendants where the matter sued for did not exceed 5 pagodas[6]. On the 5th. the Commissioners of the Court of Requests consisting of 8 in number were appointed. It was felt undesirable to increase this number in view of the

[1] See pages 386, 387.

[2] See Dodwell, H.—Calendar of Madras Despatches, 1744–55, pages 171, 197.

[3] See Dodwell, H.—Calendar of Madras Despatches, 1744–55, pages 197–200.

[4] See page 195.

[5] See pages 197, 198.

[6] See pages 202, 203.

apprehension that when in December half their numbers were to retire there might not be sufficiently qualified persons to choose from[1]. They were sworn on the 13th and on the same day Josias Du Pre was appointed Clerk of the Peace and Coroner, as well as the Company's Solicitor and Clerk of the Court of Appeal; and Claud Russell was appointed Accountant General of the Mayor's Court[2]. There arose some doubts as to whether a Sheriff could be appointed forthwith. The Charter fixed the first Tuesday in December for his election, but at the same time directed that the person who should be Sheriff at the time of the arrival of the Charter should continue until " another shall be duely elected and sworn." There was, however, no Sheriff in Madras and without the appointment of one, the Courts could not sit for dispatch of business as it was his duty " to execute and make Returns of all Process." There was also the provision that the Charter should be published within 30 days of its arrival, and by not appointing the Sheriff at once, this provision was bound to be partially frustrated. For these reasons it was resolved to appoint a Sheriff and John Browning was appointed as such[3].

Exactly one month after the receipt of the Charter it was proclaimed with all pomp and ceremony. At 10 o'clock on the morning of the 24th August the members of the Council, the Mayor, the Aldermen, the Sheriff and the Commissioners of the Court of Requests, having assembled in their respective robes with several officers in the Fort House, moved from thither in a grand procession to the sorting godown—there being no Town Hall—carrying the Charter before the President and Council. Here had gathered together the principal inhabitants of Fort St. George, and a great concourse of chief inhabitants of the Black Town. And here, the officers having taken their seats in the order of precedence, the Charter was placed on a table before the President, silence was ordered and the Crier of the Court of Sessions proclaimed, after the Clerk of the Peace, the purport of the Charter. Then when the National Anthem was over, the President solemnly addressed the Mayor and Aldermen and Commissioners of the Court of Requests to pay " a strict attention to the administration of Justice." With a salute of 21 guns the proceedings were wound up and the procession as solemnly as it had come returned to the Fort House[4].

Various other measures relating to the Charter were subsequently passed. On the representation of the Court of Requests an Interpreter and 4 Talliaries were granted them at the Company's expense[5]; 2 pagodas were allowed their Beadle[6], 4 pagodas their clerk whose fees amounted only to 6 pagodas and could not be increased without oppressing the poor[7]; a prison for their debtors and an office for their Clerk were ordered to be built[6]; their table of fees was approved[8]; and it was decided to request the Directors to empower them to appoint new members in the course of the year in the place of such as were absent. We learn that agreeable to the Charter the Commissioners of the Court of Requests ballotted out half their number and elected as many in their room in December[7]. In regard to the Mayor's Court their list of fees was approved[6], Andrew Ross, on his arrival in September was sworn as Alderman, and, on a petition from him, his rank was fixed[9]. In September it was resolved to despatch a Pattamar to Bombay and to write to them " That having received his Majesty's Charter constituting a Mayor's and other Courts, We are at a Loss for the usual Ensigns of State, such as the Sword, Mace, Silver Oar &c[a]. which were carried away by the French, and that we desire they will order such to be made for us as are in use with them[10]." In December Andrew Munro was appointed Mayor and James Alexander, Sheriff[11].

The re-establishment of the Mayor's Court did not immediately attract towards it all causes between Indians. Suits between them could be tried in that Court only when both parties agreed, and no such suits were tried in it

[1] See pages 209, 217.
[2] See page 221.
[3] See page 222.
[4] See pages 238, 240, 241.
[5] See page 243.
[6] See page 256.
[7] See page 386.
[8] See pages 243, 250.
[9] See pages 274, 371, 372, 376.
[10] See page 292.
[11] See pages 379, 394.

during the year. In one cause of considerable interest which arose between Cawn Moodaliar and Tenneveroy, the Government encouraged the time immemorial custom of arbitration. The parties, they said, should choose arbiters and no compulsion must be used to impose any arbiters on them or to make them resort to the Mayor's Court[1]. There was much to be said for this method which was familiar to Indians and which involved no expenses. There was no point in compelling them to resort to a tribunal which was manifestly based on English procedure and which would, at any rate, take time to plant itself firmly on Indian soil.

Yet, though the Government was not inclined to set aside hastily good customs of proved merit, it was not slow to enforce the maintenance of law and order and to remove oppression and injustice even at the risk of interfering in the sphere of caste and religion. When disputes broke out between the Right and Left hand castes of St. Thome " in regard to the performance of certain ceremonys in their Weddings " and both parties applied for redress, the same rules and orders passed by the Government within the Madras bounds were extended to St. Thome and Poonamallee[2]. When it was noticed that wealthy Indians habitually took to building Pagodas, making the poor contribute both labour and money towards their construction, not indeed with a view to provide sufficient places of worship, but merely to " acquire the good opinion and respect of the low and ignorant Poor," it was ordered that no Pagodas or Choultries should be erected in future inside the bounds of Madras without the permission of the President and Council. There were already more Pagodas in Madras than were necessary and the suppression of this extravagant craze for temple-building, " this useless piece of Vanity," would, it was believed, render great service " to the Black Inhabitants, as it will prevent their being yet more loaded with unnecessary Taxes[2]." When again, towards the close of the year it was apprehended that the duties collected from " the Black Inhabitants on all Imports both by Land and Sea for the Maintenance and support of the several Pagodas " in Madras were more than what the custom prescribed, the managers of the Pagodas were asked to deliver accounts of their collections and to specify the authority on which they were based, so that " the Board may be enabled to form such Resolution thereon as to them shall appear most for the Publick Good[3]."

Among minor matters of interest in this Volume may be mentioned the case of Lieutenant De Mare and Captain De Gingins[4], certain accounts of Clive of his Stewardship[5], the protest of Captain Chabbert against the refusal of the Government to allow him passage on a French ship to Europe[6], the case of the crew of the *Falmouth* and the third Mate of that ship[7], the recommendation of the Presidency to reinstate Meer Munsoor, the Subedar of the sepoys[8], the enquiry into Shaik Hussain's escape from Fort St. David[9], the purchase of a pair of Persia Chaise horses[10], and Mrs. Madeiros' house for the President[11], the sale of the materials of the demolished Portuguese Church[12], the allowances granted to Padres Severini and Bernard[13], and the refusal to comply with the application of Sampat Rao, the Nawab's Diwan, to purchase a house at Chepauk[14]. The lists of Company's servants, of the inhabitants not in the Company's service and of the Company's revenues are mentioned on pages 403 to 408. As usual the table of shipping is given on pages xvi to xxxiii.

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[1] See pages 181, 188, 223, 282, 283.
[2] See page 154.
[3] See page 400.
[4] See pages 12, 14–18, 21, 22, 33, 35, 63, 67, 68.
[5] See pages 19, 22, 23, 33, 49, 56–58.
[6] See pages 31–35, 43–45, 51, 79, 82, 83.
[7] See pages 218–220, 224, 226.
[8] See pages 393, 395.
[9] See pages 127, 141, 142.
See Diary and Consultation Book, 1753, Military Department, page 95.
[10] See page 378.
[11] See pages 252, 293, 373.
[12] See pages 182, 193.
[13] See page 210.
[14] See pages 378, 379.

DIARY AND CONSULTATION BOOK, 1753.

Company's Shipping Table.

Name of Ship.	Name of Captain.	Date of Arrival and Place.	Cargo, Military, etc.	Date of Departure and Place.	Cargo, Military, etc.
Cuddalore (Sloop).	Stephen Holloway Bunyon.	3rd January 1753. From Fort Marlborough.	David Hunter and Thomas Combes as passengers—a General letter dated 7th October 1752 with one from St. Helena dated 10th April 1752.	12th March 1753. For Vizagapatam and from thence to the Island of Negrais joining the expedition to that Island led by David Hunter [1].	....
Arcot (Snow).	(1) Joseph Bond.	3rd January 1753. From Fort Marlborough.	....	11th January 1753. For Covelong.	A detachment of Military[2].
Do.	(2) Do.	14th February 1753. From Covelong.	Canons and Stores [3]. ..	5th April 1753. For the Island of Negrais touching at Vizagapatam (in company with *Colchester*, *Porto Bello* & *Fortune*).	An expedition to the Island of Negrais under David Hunter (See under *Colchester*).
Fortune (Sloop).[4]	(1) Nathaniel Hammond.	.. ..	....	30th January 1753. For Fort St. David.	Stores for the use of Major Lawrence—a General letter dated 30th January 1753.

D°.	(2)	Do.	17th February 1753.	From Fort St. David.	Two General letters dated 6th February 1753.	5th April 1753.	For the Island of Negrais touching at Vizagapatam (in company with *Colchester*, *Porto Bello* & *Arcot*).	An expedition to the Island of Negrais under David Hunter (See under *Colchester*).
Admiral Vernon.		Edmund Cooke.	7th February 1753.	From Bengal.	A General letter dated 14th January 1753 and one from William Sumner at Ingellee dated 18th January 1753.	11th February 1753.	For England touching at Fort St. David.	To England :— From Madras : Diamonds[5] — Captain John Chabbert as passenger — A Despatch dated 21st February 1753 with a separate Despatch of the same date. From Fort St. David 1074 bales — A Despatch[6] dated 28th February 1753 with two Bengal box packets designed by the *Colchester*. To Fort St. David :— 200,000 Rupees—A General letter dated 11th February 1753.

[1] See Dodwell, H-Calendar of Madras Despatches, 1744–55, page 187.
[2] See Diary and Consultation Book, 1753, Military Department, page 14.
[3] See Letters from Fort St. George, 1753, Ms. Vol. 29, page 23.
[4] In consultation dated 22nd January 1753 (Military Department, page 20) this ship was ordered to be purchased on account of the Company for service between Madras and Pegu.
[5] See Dodwell, H.—Calendar of Madras Despatches, 1744–55, page 183.
[6] See Letters to Fort St. George, 1752–53, Ms. Volume 33A, pages 92–94.

Name of Ship.	Name of Captain.	Date of Arrival and Place.	Cargo, Military, etc.	Date of Departure and Place.	Cargo, Military, etc.
Godolphin ..	(1) William Hutchinson.	2nd March 1753. From Bengal.	4233 Bags of rice—32 Duppers of Oil—Jute rope—A Swiss regiment under Captain Polier consisting of 2 Lieutenants, 2 Ensigns, 6 Sergeants, 6 Corporals, 1 Volunteer and 78 private men[1]—A General letter dated 29th January 1753 and one from Mr. Kelsall at Ingellee dated 7th February 1753.	21st March 1753. For Fort St. David in Company with *Prince George*.	20 chests containing Rs. 100,000 — Lead —Medicine—260 Military and a company of Sepoys[2] including the Swiss Company under Captain Polier.—A General Letter dated 20th March 1753.
Do.	(2) Do.	1st April 1753. From Fort St. David.	47 coffrees and 1 Corporal[3] to be employed on the expedition to Negrais—20 French Prisoners[4].	21st April 1753. For England touching at Fort Marlborough and St. Helena.	To England :— From Madras : 922 Bales[5] — 1,200 Bags of Saltpetre —Redwood[5]—Diamonds[5]— Private trade—Mrs. Elizabeth Edwin as passenger—A Despatch dated 19th April 1753. From Fort Marlborough : 200 Tons of pepper [6]. To Fort Marlborough : Stores and 5 Swiss Deserters[7]— A General letter dated 19th April 1753.

							To St. Helena :— From Madras : Stores like Arrack, Sugar and Candles —A General letter dated 19th April 1753. From Fort Marlborough : Arrack[8].
Bombay Castle.	Thomas Browne.	3rd March 1753.	From Bengal.	Sundry merchandize—Stores intended for Bencoolen—A General letter dated 29th January 1753 and one from Mr. Scrafton at Ingellee dated 6th February 1753.	23rd March 1753.	For England.	Bales—600 Bags of Saltpetre — Diamonds and private trade[9] — Capt. Robert Clive, Mrs. Margaret Clive, Robert Orme, Cornelius Goodwin, Mrs. Elizabeth Cockell and Mrs. Mary Colefax as passengers—A Despatch dated 21st March 1753.
Porto Bello (Sloop).	(1) William Grierson.	4th March 1753.	From Pegu.	A General letter from Robert Westgarth at Syrian dated 14th February 1753 and one from Thomas Taylor at Syrian dated 12th February 1753[10].	5th April 1753.	For the Island of Negrais touching at Vizagapatam (in company with *Colchester*, *Arcot* and *Fortune*).	An expedition to the Island of Negrais under David Huntor (See under *Colchester*).

[1] See Letters to Fort St. George, 1752–53, Ms. Vol. 33A, page 86.
[2] See Diary and Consultation Book, 1753, Military Department, page 43.
[3] See Diary and Consultation Book, 1753, Military Department, page 46.
[4] See Do. Do. pages 55, 57, 61.
See Dodwell, H.—Calendar of Madras Despatches, 1744–55, page 187.
[6] See Letters to Fort St. George, 1752–53, Ms. Vol. 33 B, page 291.
[7] See Letters from Fort St. George, 1753, Ms. Vol. 29, pages 85–87.
[8] See Letters to Fort St. George, 1752–53, Ms. Vol. 33 B, page 291.
[9] See Dodwell, H.—Calendar of Madras Despatches, 1744–55, page 186.
[10] See Diary and Consultation Book, 1753, Military Department, pages 34–36.

Name of Ship.	Name of Captain.	Date of Arrival and Place.	Cargo, Military, etc.	Date of Departure and Place.	Cargo, Military, etc.
Porto Bello (Sloop)—*cont.*	(2) William Grierson.	21st October 1753. From the Island of Negrais touching at Vizagapatam.	60 pieces of timber [1]—Sergeant Clerk as passenger [1]—General letters from Robert Westgarth at Syrian dated 15th June and 2nd August 1753, one from David Hunter at Negrais dated 20th September 1753 and one from Vizagapatam dated 15th October 1753.	5th November 1753. For the Island of Negrais touching at Vizagapatam.	To Negrais: 30 Military and provisions [2]—Dr. William Anderson as passenger—A General Letter dated 4th November 1753.
Colchester ..	Roger Mainwaring.	13th March 1753. From Fort St. David.	950 Bales—Saltpetre—Redwood—Coffrees—8 French deserters—A General Letter dated 10th March 1753.	5th April 1753. For the Island of Negrais touching at Vizagapatam (in company with *Porto Bello*, *Fortune*, and *Arcot*).	An expedition to the Island of Negrais under David Hunter, consisting of 34 Europeans and 72 Coffrees under Lt. Bilhock, with Henry Brooke, Charles Knapton and John North to assist Mr. Hunter in the expedition [3]— Rs. 40,000 [3] — General Letters to Robert Westgarth and Thomas Taylor at Pegu both dated 4th April 1753, also letters to the Kings of Pegu and Tavoy dated 3rd April 1753.

Chesterfield.	Edwin Carter.	14th March 1753.	From Bengal.	Packing stuff—Baftaes—98 chests of gunpowder—A General letter, dated 11th February 1753 and one from Peter Amyatt at Ingellee dated 17th February 1753.	25th March 1753.	For England.	988 bales[4]—Diamonds, Private trade[4]—Lt. John Shaw and his family as passengers—A Despatch, dated 24th March 1753.
Prince George[5].	(1) Edward Burman.	..	..	....	21st March 1753.	For Fort St. David (in Company with *Godolphin*).	2 blackwood settees and 6 Elbow chairs[6]—Henry Eustace Johnson as passenger. (See also under *Godolphin*).
Do.	(2) Do.	1st April 1753.	From Fort St. David.	....	11th April 1753.	For Fort Marlborough and Batavia.	Rice—Salt—27 Topasses[7] — 21 Coffree women[7] —9 criminals[8]—Private goods[8]—General letters to Fort Marlborough and Batavia, dated 10th April 1753.
Do.	(3) Do.	28th September 1753.	From Fort Marlborough and Batavia.	From Fort Marlborough :—Samuel Ardley and Michael Dokes[9] as passengers—A General letter, dated 25th June 1753 with one from Moco Moco, dated 21st June 1753.	3rd November 1753.	For Fort Marlborough touching at Fort St. David.	To Fort Marlborough : Rice—Salt—Sundry wares[10] — Private trade[10]—5 Military prisoners[10] — 3 convicts[10] — 6 French deserters[10]—

[1] See Diary and Consultation Book, 1753, Military Department, page 176.
[2] See Do. Do. page 186.
[3] See Do. Do. pages 45, 47–51.
[4] See Dodwell, H.—Calendar of Madras Despatches, 1744–55, pages 186, 187.
[5] In consultation dated 21st February 1753, this ship, previously called *Yorkshire Grey* was ordered to be purchased for Sumatra service, as *Brilliant* snow was believed to have been lost.
[6] See Letters from Fort St. George, 1753, Ms. Vol. 29, page 52.
[7] See Do. Do. page 66.
[8] See Do. Do. pages 75, 76.
[9] See Letters to Fort St. George, 1752–53, Ms. Vol. 33 B, page 314.
[10] See Letters from Fort St. George, 1753, Ms. Vol. 29, pages 193, 202 to 206, 213.

Name of Ship.	Name of Captain.	Date of Arrival and Place.	Cargo, Military, etc.	Date of Departure and Place.	Cargo, Military, etc.
Prince George—*cont.*	Edward Burman.				Passengers: John Walsh and John Pybus as Supervisors of West Coast; Edward Pero as Captain Lieutenant of the Train of Artillery—A General letter, dated 15th October 1753 with a postscript dated 30th October 1753, and one to Batavia dated 15th October 1753. To Fort St. David: Rs. 1,00,000—Pags. 30,000 — Military Stores—a box containing spying glasses, small arms and pistols[1] for the use of Maj. Lawrence —20 Military to reinforce Devecotah[1] — Passengers: Richard Brickenden for Devecotah; Captains John Grant and Robert Sanderson for camp—General Letters to Fort St. David and Devecotah dated 2nd November 1753.

[1] See Letters from Fort St. George, 1753, Ms. Vol. 29, page 216.

Dragon [1] (Sloop).	(1) Vallabou. (Syrang).	16th April 1753.	From Galle.	36 chests of arms (Part of Madagascar Cargo by *Delawar*).	4th May 1753.	For Fort St. David.	1,200 quires of cartridge paper [2] — A General letter, dated 23rd April 1753.
Do.	(2) Do.	29th August 1753.	From Fort St. David.	42 bales of calicoes—A General letter, dated 26th August 1753.	26th September 1753.	For Fort St. David.	Packing stuff—Pags. 25,000—A General letter, dated 25th September 1753.
Do.	(3) Do.	9th October 1753.	Do.	A General Letter, dated 6th October 1753.	11th October 1753.	For Devecotah touching at Fort St. David.	To Fort St. David: Mr. Norris as passenger—A General letter, dated 11th October 1753. To Devecotah: Mr. Hopkins as passenger—A General letter, dated 11th October 1753.
Clinton ..	John Nanfan ..	11th May 1753.	From England.	1 Chest of gold—25 chests of silver—Wares—Stores—184 bales of broad cloth, 9 bales of long ells and 1 bale of flannels [3]—Coral for purchasing Diamonds [3]—30 barrels of gunpowder [4]——Private goods and merchandize [5]—26 Recruits [6]——Henry Revell and John Hull as Supercargoes—A Despatch, dated 15th December 1752 and packets for Bengal and Bombay.	9th June 1753.	For Canton.	....

[1] In consultation, dated 3rd January 1753, this ship was ordered to be purchased for Coast service and sailed from Fort St. David under the command of Abraham Dominicus to Galle where the *Delawar* was sent mastless by the late storm.

[2] See Letters from Fort St. George, 1753, Ms. Vol. 29, page 88.

[3] See Public Despatches from England, 1752–53, Ms. Vol. 56, page 5.

[4] See Do. Do. page 38.

[5] See Do. Do. pages 125–127.

[6] See Do. Do. page 187.
(32 including officers are mentioned in the Despatch volume).

Name of Ship.	Name of Captain.	Date of Arrival and Place.	Cargo, Military, etc.	Date of Departure and Place.	Cargo, Military, etc.
Suffolk ..	William Wilson.	11th May 1753. From England.	1 Chest of gold—25 chests of silver—Wares—Stores—183 Bales and 1 case of broad cloth, 9 bales of long ells, 1 bale of camblets, 1 bale of shalloons [1]—6 chests of paper[1]—Medicine[1]—Coral, amber, glass beads and emeralds for purchasing diamonds[1]—30 Barrels of gunpowder [2]—Private goods and merchandize[3]—48 Recruits [4] —Alexander Dalrymple as passenger (in Company's service)—Edward Phipps, Joseph Harrington and Thomas Smith as Supercargoes—A Despatch dated 15th December 1752.	9th June 1753. For Canton.	....
Syren (Sloop).	(1) Page Keble ..	27th May 1753. From Bombay, touching at Fort St. David.	From Bombay: 500 Barrels of Gunpowder—3,000 shot—A General letter, dated 6th May 1753. From Fort St. David: Richard Starke as passenger—A General Letter, dated 25th May 1753.	11th June 1753. For Fort St. David.	Rs. 1,00,000—Pags. 25,000—Board cloth—Medicines—Gunpowder — Shot — Small Arms — Richard Starke as passenger—A General letter, dated 10th June 1753.
Do.	(2) Do.	19th July 1753. From Fort St. David.	80 Bales of Calicoes—A General Letter, dated 17th July 1753.	27th July 1753. For Bengal, touching at Vizagapatam.	To Bengal: A General letter, dated 27th July 1753.

									To Northern Settlements: Stores —Mad. Pags. 15,000 and A. Rs. 1,00,000 for Vizagapatam— Mad. Pags. 15,000 for Ingeram—Mad. Pags. 10,000 for Madapollam — A General Letter to each settlement dated 27th July 1753.
Sea Horse (Sloop).	John Spencer ..	1st June 1753.	From Bombay.	500 Barrels of gunpowder— 3,000 shot—A General letter dated 13th May 1753.	21st June 1753.	For Bengal touching at Vizagapatam.	To Bengal: A General Letter dated 20th June 1753. To Northern Settlements: Broad cloth, packing stuff, Rs. 50,000 and Mad. Pags. 15,000 for Vizagapatam—Mad. Pags. 10,000 for Ingeram — Mad. Pags. 10,000 for Madapollam — A General letter to each settlement dated 20th June 1753.		

[1] See Public Despatches from England, 1752–53, Ms. Vol. 56, page 9.

[2] See Do. do. page 38.

[3] See Public Despatches from England, 1752–53, Ms. Vol. 56, pages 133–136.

[4] See Do. do. pages 191, 192. (51 are mentioned in the Despatch volume).

Name of Ship.	Name of Captain.	Date of Arrival and Place.	Cargo, Military, etc.	Date of Departure and Place.	Cargo, Military, etc.
Marlborough.	William Parks ..	9th June 1753. From England.	2 chests of gold—21 chests of silver—Wares — Stores — 184 Bales of broad cloth, 9 Bales of long ells, 1 Bale of Flannels and 1 Bale of Shalloons[1]—Coral for purchasing Diamonds[1]—30 Barrels of gunpowder[2] — Private goods and merchandize[3] —46 soldiers[4] under Donald Campbell and John Frazer (Ensigns)—John Davidson as passenger (in Company's service) — A Despatch dated 15th December 1752 and a packet for Bombay.	3rd July 1753. For Canton.	A General letter to Frederick Pigou, Henry Hadley and Thomas Fitzhugh, Supercargoes at Canton dated 2nd July 1753.
Edgbaston ..	Edward Tiddeman.	23rd June 1753. Do.	1 chest of gold—25 chests of silver— Wares — Stores — 184 Bales of broad cloth, 8 bales of long ells and 1 bale of flannels[5]—Coral for purchasing diamonds[5] —30 Barrels of gunpowder[2] —Private goods and merchandize[6]— 50 Recruits under Capt. John Caillaud[7] — Hillary Torriano as Supercargo — A Despatch dated 15th December 1752.	17th July 1753. Do.	Do. do. dated 16th July 1753.
Boscawen ..	Benjamin Braund.	24th June 1753. Do.	1 chest of gold—25 chests of silver — Wares — Stores — 184 Bales and 1 case of broad cloth, 9 bales of long ells, 1 bale of flannels and 8 chests of paper[8]—Coral for purchasing diamonds[8]—30	20th July 1753. Do.	...

					Barrels of gunpowder[2]—Private goods and merchandize[9]—1 chest of private silver[10]—53 Swiss soldiers — Passengers: Capt. John Ridge (in Company's Service); James Munro[11] (not in Company's Service)—Richard Wood, Stephen Devisme and Robert John Harrison as Supercargoes—A Despatch dated 15th December 1752.				
Montfort	..	Frederick Vincent.	3rd July 1753.	From England.	45 chests of silver and 10 chests of small arms (both intended for Bengal)—Rod iron and other wares and stores—Coral for purchasing diamonds[12]—Private goods and merchandize[13]—61 soldiers and 2 Subalterns being the Company's artillery under the command of Capt. Lewis D'Illens[14]—Also the Military that came on this ship for Bengal—Passengers: Captain John Howes[15] (in Company's service); John Newcome[15] (not in Company's service)—A Despatch dated 24th January 1753.	16th July 1753.	For Bengal.	20 chests of Madras Rupees—20 Chests of Arcot Rupees—10 chests of bullion—A General letter dated 15th July 1753 with the Company's packet to that Presidency by the *Harcourt*.

[1] See Public Despatches from England, 1752–53, Ms. Vol. 56, page 11.
[2] See Do. do. page 38.
[3] See Do. do. pages 137–139.
[4] See Do. do. pages 193, 194.
[5] See Do. do. page 7.
[6] See Do. do. pages 129–131.
[7] See Do. do. pages 189–190.
[8] See Do. do. page 3.
[9] See Public Despatches from England, 1752–53, Ms. Vol. 56, pages 121–123.
[10] See Do. do. page 177.
[11] See Do. do. page 229.
(He was originally intended for Bengal.)
[12] See Public Despatches from England, 1752–53, Ms. Vol. 56, page 23.
[13] See Do. do. pages 165–169.
[14] See Do. do. pages 199, 200.
(71 are mentioned in the Despatch volume.)
[15] Both were originally intended for Bengal.

Name of Ship.	Name of Captain.	Date of Arrival and Place.	Cargo, Military, etc.	Date of Departure and Place.	Cargo, Military, etc.
Harcourt ..	William Webber.	11th July 1753. From England.	1 chest of gold—25 chests of silver—Wares—183 Bales and 1 case of broad cloth, 9 bales of long ells, 1 bale of camblets and 1 bale of shalloons[1] — Medicines [1] — 30 Barrels of gunpowder[2] —Private goods and merchandize[3]—1 chest of private silver[4]—23 soldiers—Charles Smith as passenger (in Company's service)—Robert Macket as Supercargo—A Despatch dated 15th December 1752 with packets for Bengal, Bombay and Major Kinneer.	1st August 1753. For Canton.	....
Portfield.	(1) Carteret Le Geyt.	14th July 1753. From England touching at Fort St. David.	From England :— 45 chests of silver and 20 Barrels of Gunpowder (both intended for Bengal)—2406 bars of Russia Iron[5]—Coral for purchasing diamonds[6]—Private goods and merchandize[7]—28 Swiss soldiers and 1 sergeant (landed at Fort St. David)—Benjamin De Visme[8] as passenger (not in Company's service)—A Despatch dated 24th January 1753, a separate Despatch of the same date and a packet for Caroline Frederick Scott.	19th July 1753. For Fort St. David and from thence to Devecotah to land the Military.	2406 Bars of Russia Iron[5]—20 Barrels of gunpowder[5]—Small arms[5]—Flints and other Military Stores[5]—237 Military and officers[9] under the command of Captain Ridge—A General letter, dated 18th July 1753.

				From Fort S^{t}. David :— A General letter dated 9th July 1753.			
Do.	(2) Do.	10th August 1753.	From Fort St. David.	John Browning as passenger —A General letter dated 8th August 1753.	12th August 1753.	For Bengal.	30 chests of Madras Rupees—10 chests of Arcot Rupees—10 chests of bullion —A General letter dated 11th August 1753.
Falmouth ..	Thomas Field ..	24th July 1753.	From England.	1 chest of gold—Wares—Stores—Coral for purchasing Diamonds[10]—Private goods and merchandize[11]—2 chests of private silver[12]—32 chests of silver, 30 Barrels of gunpowder, 10 chests of small arms, and 47 Military Recruits (these four were intended for Bengal)—Passengers: George Pyne (in Company's service); Lucy Muriell and Francis Muriell[13] (not in Company's service)—A Despatch dated 24th January 1753, a separate Despatch of the same date and a packet containing Charter for the establishment of Mayor's Court and a packet for Caroline Frederick Scott.	25th August 1753.	Do.	10 chests of bullion and 30 tons of redwood[14]—Two General letters dated 20th and 24th August 1753.

[1] See Public Despatches from England, 1752–53, Ms. Vol. 56, page 2.
[2] See Do. do. page 38.
[3] See Do. do. pages 117–119.
[4] See Do. do. page 175.
[5] See Letters from Fort St. George, 1753, Ms. Vol. 29, pages 147, 148.
[6] See Public Despatches from England, 1752–53, Ms. Vol. 56, page 21.
[7] See Do. do. pages 159–163.
[8] See Public Despatches from England, 1752–53, Ms. Vol. 56, page 229.
[9] See Letters from Fort St. George, 1753, Ms. Vol. 29, page 139.
[10] See Public Despatches from England, 1752–53, Ms. Vol. 56, page 15.
[11] See Do. do. pages 145–148.
[12] See Do. do. page 179.
[13] See Do. do. page 229.
[14] See Letters from Fort St. George, 1753, Ms. Vol. 29, page 167.

Name of Ship.	Name of Captain.	Date of Arrival and Place.	Cargo, Military, etc.	Date of Departure and Place.	Cargo, Military, etc.
Egmont ..	Thomas Tolson ..	24th July 1753. From England.	Wares—Stores—Coral for purchasing diamonds[1]—Private goods and merchandize[2]—45 chests of silver, 30 Barrels of gunpowder, 10 chests of small arms and 54 Military recruits (all these four were intended for Bengal)—John Edwards[3] as passenger (not in Company's Service)—A Despatch dated 24th January 1753, a separate Despatch of the same date and a packet to Caroline Frederick Scott.	29th August 1753. For Bengal.	10 chests of Rupees and 30 Tons of redwood[4]—A General letter dated 28th August 1753.
Elizabeth ..	Edward Wills ..	29th July 1753. Do.	Wares—Stores—Coral for purchasing diamonds[5]—Private goods and merchandize[6]—1 box of private silver[7]—45 chests of silver, gunpowder[8] and 50 Military recruits (all the three were intended for Bengal)—Passengers: Frances Rous, Jane Morse, Frances Morse, Emelia Morse, Mary Butler (Mr. Morse's servant), Edmund Massey, Nicholas Morse[9] (not in Company's service)—Also James Bound and Robert Todd of the *Elizabeth* who were permitted to reside in India—a Despatch dated 24th January 1753.	1st September 1753. Do.	10 chests of Rupees and 30 tons of redwood[8]—A General letter dated 31st August 1753.

Winchelsea ..	Christopher Baron.	4th August 1753.	From England touching at Madeira and Fort St. David.	From England :—30 Chests of silver—Coral for purchasing diamonds[10]—30 Barrels of gunpowder, 49 Swiss soldiers[11] and 300 pigs of lead (all the three landed at Fort St. David ; the last article was intended for Bengal)—Private goods and merchandize[12]—Passengers : Col. Caroline Frederick Scott, the Company's Engineer General ; Mr. Horsley (later taken into service as Surgeon's mate) —A Despatch, dated 15th December 1752 and a letter from the Secretary, dated 1st January 1753. From Madeira :—200 pipes of Madeira wine (of which 50 were landed at Fort St. David)—A General letter, dated 8th February 1753. From Fort St. David :—A General letter, dated 31st July 1753.	14th August 1753.	For Bengal touching at Vizagapatam.	To Bengal :—50 Chests of bullion and rupees—Lead (in the place of that landed at Fort St. David)—Passengers: Col. Caroline Frederick Scott ; John Bromfield [13], third mate of the *Falmouth*—A General letter, dated 13th August 1753. To Northern Settlements :—60 candies of copper to be coined into dubs—10 pipes of Madeira wine — General letters to Vizagapatam, Ingeram, and Maddapollam, dated 13th August 1753.

[1] See Public Despatches from England, 1752–53, Ms. Vol. 56, page 17.
[2] See Do. Do. pages 149–154.
[3] See Do. Do. page 229.
[4] See Letters from Fort St. George, 1753, Ms. Vol. 29, page 170.
[5] See Public Despatches from England, 1752–53, Ms. Vol. 56, page 19.
[6] See Do. Do. pages 155–158.
[7] See Do. Do. page 181,
[8] See Letters from Fort St. George, 1753, Ms. Vol. 29, page 173.
[9] See Public Despatches from England, 1752–53, Ms. Vol. 56, pages 229, 230.
[10] See Do. Do. page 13.
[11] See Do. Do. pages 195, 196.
(54 are mentioned in the Despatch volume).
[12] See Public Despatches from England, 1752–53, Ms. Vol. 56, pages 141–144.
[13] See Letters from Fort St. George, 1753, Ms. Vol. 29, page 166.

Name of Ship.	Name of Captain.	Date of Arrival and Place.	Cargo, Military, etc.	Date of Departure and Place.	Cargo, Military, etc.
Delawar ..	(1) Thomas Winter.	14th August 1753. From Bencoolen and Batavia.	From Bencoolen :—9 canisters of sugar—Remainder of the Madagascar cargo—General letters, dated 14th April and 11th July 1753 with a duplicate of one by the *Prince George*, dated 25th June 1753.—A letter from John Massey appealing against his dismissal. From Batavia :—301 pieces of timber[1]—A General letter, dated 2nd June 1753—Also one from Thomas Winter, dated 6th June 1753.	27th August 1753. For Fort St. David.	Pags. 25,000 and Rs. 50,000—Stores—54 pieces of timber[2]—Three boxes of medicines for Trichinopoly[3]—A General letter, dated 26th August 1753.
Do.	(2) Do.	8th September 1753. From Fort St. David.	Mr. Stavely as passenger—A General letter dated 5th September 1753.	30th October 1753. For England touching at St. Helena.	To England :—1108 Bales[4]—32 tons of saltpetre and 24 tons of redwood as kintledge—20 tons of saltpetre at half freight—10 unserviceable guns[5]—Diamonds and precious stones[5]—Private trade[5]—Presents[5]—4 Boxes of mathematical instruments—A box containing assayed dollars musters of rupees and pagodas and plans[5]—Passengers : Captains John Clarke and Rodolph De Gingins, Mrs. Rebecca Casamajor and her son, Catherine Murno, Augus-

							tus D'Morgan, Foss Westcott's son—A Despatch and a separate Despatch dated 29th October 1753 with a box packet from Bengal. To St. Helena :—A General letter dated 29th October 1753.
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[1] See Letters to Fort St. George, 1752–53, Ms. Vol. 33 B, page 347.
[2] See Do. do. page 360.
[3] See Letters from Fort St. George, 1753, Ms. Vol. 29, page 169.
[4] See Dodwell, H.—Calendar of Madras Despatches, 1744–55, page 208.
[5] See Public Despatches to England, 1752–56, Ms. Vol. 21, pages 17 to 17 (*d*).
[6] See Public Despatches from England, 1752–53, Ms. Vol. 56, pages 171–173.
[7] See Do. do. page 30.
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——*FORT ST. GEORGE, JANUARY 1753*——

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR: PRESIDT: GOVR:
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXR: WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 3D. 1753.

The last Consultation read & sign'd.

Genl. Letters read Vizt.

Genl. Letters read from

Nº. 199 from the Govr. & Council at Negapatam dated 19th. Ultimo, advising us of the Arrival of the Hon'ble Companys Ship Delawar at Gallé having lost all her Ma[sts]. Negapatam.

Nº. 200 from Mr. Foss Westcott Resident [at] Ingeram dated 6th. Ultº. serving only to accompany the Journal Parcells & Cash Account for November. Ingeram &

Nº. 201 from the Deputy Govr. & Council of Fort St. David dated 26th. Ultº. accompanying their Consultation for November. Fort St. David.

The Stores &ca. intended for the West Coast have been shippd on board the Delawar, before she was drove out [of] the Road, It is AGREED that Capt. Dominicus be ordered (after refitting his Ship as well as can be done there) to proceed directly to the * West Coast, and deliver the several Consignments for that Settlement, and if he should find his Ship in want of any further repair, to go from thence to Batavia, to compleat what may be necessary, & return hither as expeditiously as possible with Timber and Plank for Account of the Hon'ble Company, AND

The Delawar to proceed directly from Galle' to the Wt. Coast and from thence to Batavia, & return hither with Timber and Plank

A Sloop of Forty Tons Burthen being now offered to sale for three hundred (300) Pagodas, which by proper Judges she is esteem'd to be well worth It is AGREED to purchase her for the Companys Account, that she be order'd to proceed to Gallé with Capt. Dominicus & Officers, charging the Delawar for the Trip, and that afterwards she be employed between this Place and Fort St David, or elsewhere as Occasion may require.

A Sloop of 40 Tons purchas'd for the Company, [to] carry Captain Dominicus & Officers [to] Galle, and afterwards [emp]loy'd between [this] Place & St. David

* This expression in Dutch India means the West Coast of Sumatra. This seems also to have been the recognised meaning of the term at Madras in former days—Hobson-Jobson.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, JANUARY 1753*——

[Ltr]s to be wrote Vizt.

AGREED that the following Letters be wrote to go by Captain Dominicus.

[To] Dutch Chief at Galle.

To the Commandant &ca. Council at Gallé, that having order'd Capt. Dominicus there to refit his Ship, We request they will give him all the Assistance they can, and we shall duely honour all Bills they may draw upon us on that Account.

To the Govr. of Batavia.

To the Govr. of Batavia &ca. that in case the Delawar should not be compleatly refitted at Gallé We have order'd Capt. Dominicus to proceed to Batavia to make what further repairs may be necessary, in which we request his Assistance as well as in procuring a Cargo of Plank for our Hon'ble Companys use at this Settlement.

To Fort Marlbro'

AND that the Letter which was prepared to go by the Delawar, be now forwarded with this Addition, that if the Delawar should want any further repair, than what can be done at Gallé, we have order'd Capt. Dominicus to proceed from the West Coast to Batavia, to refit, & return hither with a Cargo of Timber & Plank, but as we do not esteem the conveyance in which the Capt. goes from hence to Gallé sufficiently safe to risk any Treasure by, We direct them to put on board the Delawar one chest of Bullion to the value of one thousand Pounds sterling which we shall replace from hence, that we would have them land such part of the Cargo on board that Ship intended for Madagascar as they think may answer, and sell the same [by] publick outcry for the Companys Account.

Fort St. David.

AGREED also to write to the Depy. Govr. & Council of Fort St. David, that we are surprized we have not yet receiv'd any direct answer from them, what quantity of Bales they can get ready of the Colchesters, and their own by the end of this month, & whether Capt. Mainwaring can proceed for Europe or not, of all which we require immediate advice, & that the Nabobs account be sent us without delay That as the Bengal Packet of Books for Europe appears to be damaged, we would have it open'd & dry'd, that we have purchased the Sloop Dragon now at St. David for the Hon'ble Company, and we direct them to equip her immediately with whatever may be necessary, & dispatch her away to Gallé with Capt. Dominicus and his Officers.

(15000) Mss. Pags. to be purchas'd for the Northern Settlements.

As it would be of great Service to the Northern Investment, if the Gentlemen of those Settlements were furnish'd with early Supplies, It is AGREED to purchase fifteen thousand (15000) Madrass Pagodas, on the cheapest terms we can, to be sent them by the returning Vessells expected from thence with their Bales.

Mr. Chs. Hopkins appointed to succeed Mr. John Pybus as Chief of Devecotah. Mr. John Calland to succeed Mr. Hopkins at Ingeram.

Mr. Pybus Chief of Devecotah by letter to the President having represented that he labours under a very ill State of Health, requesting leave on that Account to return to the Presidency, AGREED that Mr. Charles Hopkins now Assistant at Ingeram, be appointed to Succeed him in that Station, that Mr. Pybus have leave to quit on the Arrival of his Successor, & that notice thereof be given to Mr. Hopkins, and as on his removal, there will be a vacancy at Ingeram, AGREED that Mr. John Calland be appointed to fill the same.

Mr. John Lewen Smith appointed third in Council at Vizagapatam.

AGREED also that Mr. John Lewen Smith be appointed third in Council at Vizagapatam & proceed thither as soon as may be.

Calculate of Treasure remaining to be laid before the Board.

ORDER'D that the Accomptant draw out & lay before the board at the next Consultation an Account of Treasure remaining in the Treasury.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, JANUARY 1753*——

The President reads the Cash Account for last Month, Ballance remaining now Compar'd with the Chest, eighteen thousand, two hundred & sixty two Pagodas, Eleven Fanams, and fifty three Cash (18262. 11. 53) & four thousand, seven hundred & seventy two (4772) Madrass Pags. which is Carried forward. Cash Accot. read.

Henry Powney Import Warehousekr. pays in seven thousand eight hundred & ninety four Pagodas, twenty six fanams, & forty two Cash (7894. 26. 42) on account of Rupees sold. Cash paid in for Rupees sold.

AGREED that five hundred (500) Pagodas be advanc'd the Storekeeper for sundry Disbursements. Cash advd. the Storekr.

THOS: SAUNDERS.
CHAS: BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR. WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.

Arriv'd Ketch Yacooby, John George, from Bengal. 3d.

Do. Hon'ble Companys Sloop Cuddalore, Stephen Holloway [Bunyon] from Fort Marlborough with a Genl. Letter from the Deputy Govr. & Council of that Settlement, also one from the Govr. & Council of that Settlement, also one from the Govr. & Council of St. Helena, David Hunter Esqr. & Mr. Thos. Combes Passengers. —

Do. Hon'ble Companys Snow Arcot, Joseph Bond, from Fort Marl[bro]. —

Do. Sloop George, Herbert Sutherland, from Ingeram with a Genl. Letter dated 28th. Ultimo. —

Sign'd & sent by Capt. Abrm. Dominicus Genl. Letters to Fort Marlbro' —

Batavia
Galle &
Fort St. David

Receiv'd by Tappies Genl. Letter from Fort St. David dated 3d. Instant. 7th.

Sail'd Ketch Yacooby, John George for Fort St. David & Bombay. 8th.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR: GOVR: PRESIDT: MONDAY
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY. THE 8TH.
ALEXR: WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.

Last Consultation read & sign'd.

Genl. Letters read Vizt.

No. 1 from the Deputy Govr. & Council of Fort Marlborough, dated 7th. October, enclosing sundry Papers therein mention'd, & acquainting us of their Transactions and Occurrences since the Bombay Castle left that Place the 8th. July last, particularly David Hunter Esqr. whom the Hon'ble Court of Directors have been pleas'd to signify to them they have appointed to an important station having purchased at Batavia for the Companys Account a small Vessell, & loaden on her a Cargo consisting Chiefly of Salt, which being a very seasonable supply, they had receiv'd & given receipts for the same; That Mr. Thomas Combes proceeds with Mr. Hunter by our Hon'ble Masters orders, and Messrs. Samuel Ardley & William Norris Factors having their permission intend to embrace the first convenient opportunity of embarking for Madrass. Genl. Letters read from Fort Marlbro'

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, JANUARY 1753*——

N°. 2 from the Gov^r. & Council of S^t. Helena dated 10^th. April, enclosing a List of the Arrival & departure of shipping to that time, and desiring we will send them the one ℔ C^t. for the present Year in Arrack & Rice.

Ingeram. N°. 3 from M^r. Foss Westcott at Ingeram dated 28^th. Ult°. acknowledging the Receipt of our Remittance on Buckanjee Cashedoss for five thousand (5000) Mss. Pag^s. enclosing Invoice & Bill of Lading for three hundred & fifty Bales consign'd us for the Hon'ble Company by the George Sloop, and acquainting us that the remainder being fifty Bales shall be sent us in a few days.

Fort St. David. N°. 4 from the Deputy Gov^r. & Council of Fort S^t. David dated the 3^d. Instant, accompanying the accounts of that Settlement for November, & the Import Warehousek^rs. Indent. also a copy of a Letter from M^r. Dupleix in answer to their Protest, and acquainting us that the Colchesters Leak is not yet found out for want of Divers. but having at last procured one they intend to set him to work, as soon as the Weather permits, that the reason, all the Colchesters Bales have not been landed was for want of Boats. which having been employ'd on that Business at the time they should have been repair'd are rendered unserviceable, but they now hope soon to get the remainder landed, that we may depend on between five & six hundred Bales from that Settlement by the end of the month that on their applying to Cap^t. Mainwaring for the twelve Barrells of Gunpowder he replied that not being certain whether he should proceed to Europe or remain in India, he could not yet say what quantity he can spare, that they have resolv'd in Consultation to allow three Rupees ℔ month to the familys of those seapoys who have been kill'd in Action, that they are in great want of small arms & request a supply, that sundry stores having been at divers times deliver'd to the Steward by the Storek^r. for various uses, & not brought to account they desire our directions thereon, advising that they have drawn on us for fifteen thousand (15000) A. Rupees in favour of Henry Powney Esq^r. value receiv'd into the Hon'ble Companys Cash of M^r. Dawsonne Drake.

Ft. St. David wrote to. AGREED to write to the Deputy Gov^r. & Council of Fort S^t. David that we cannot Comply with their Indent for Broad Cloth, except what they may want for the use of their Garrison having lately sold all here at Outcry, but a small Quantity for the use of the Settlements, that we shall supply them by the first opportunity with Flints & small Arms & make them a further remittance of money.

Arcot Snow & Cuddalore Sloop to be survey'd & reported. ORDER'D that the Vessell purchas'd by David Hunter Esq^r. for the Hon'ble Companys service & now Call'd the Arcot Snow be survey'd & a Report of her condition, Burthen, Quantity & Quality of Stores be laid before the Board, And that the Cuddalore Sloop be also survey'd & her Condition reported at the same time.

[Eig]ht Bales of Baftaes in the Warehouse imported in [17]51 to be survey'd & reported. The Export Warehousek^r. represents to the Board that Eight Bales of *Baftaes sent up here from Fort S^t. David by the Swallow in 1751 are still remaining in the Warehouse and so much damaged, that he apprehends they are unfit for service. AGREED that they be survey'd at the next sorting & a Report thereof made at the subsequent Consultation.

A Powder Mill to be erected at Egmore Ridout &, Powder to be made there in the interim. The present Extraordinary demand for Gunpowder, the precariousness of our receiving sufficient supplys from the other Settlements & the great disadvantage that would attend the want of it, rendering it necessary to guard against such an inconvenience as much as possible, We are of Opinion the most effectual means will be to erect a Powder Mill here, which is accordingly order'd to be immediately set about, and the President acquaints the Board, that he had consulted the Engineer thereon, Who is of opinion that Egmore Ridout will be the properest Place to fix it in, & the most convenient for making Powder, in the Interim, which is therefore AGREED to be appropriated to that service.

* (Derived from the persian word *baftan meaning to weave*) A cotton cloth, loomwoven.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, JANUARY 1753*——

A Bill of Exchange drawn on us by the Deputy Gov^{r}. & Council of Fort S^{t}. David for fifteen thousand (15,000) Arcot Rupees, in favour of Henry Powney Esq^{r}. Value of M^{r}. Dawsonne Drake, as advised in the General Letter from thence read at this Consultation, being presented to the Board, ORDERD that it be accepted & paid when due. A Bill drawn from St. David order'd to be accepted & paid.

Pursuant to an order of last Consultation the Accountant delivers in an account of Treasure remaining this day which is read & order'd to be enter'd hereafter. Accot. of Treasure remaining produc'd

As our Hon'ble Masters have been pleased to appoint David Hunter Esq^{r}. to a particular service, 'tis AGREED that all his reasonable charges & Expences be borne by the Company during his Residence here, and that the Confiscated House wherein M^{r}. John Brohier now resides be prepared for his reception. M$_{r}$. Hunters Charges to be defray'd by the Company.

HENRY POWNEY Import Warehousek^{r}. pays seven thousand Eight hundred, & ninety four Pagodas, twenty six Fanams, & forty two Cash (7894. 26. 42) on account of Rupees sold which sum it is AG^{D}EED to advance the Commissary for the Expenses of the Troops abroad. Cash paid in for Rupees sold, and adv^{d}. the Commissary.

THO^{S}: SAUNDERS.
CHA^{S}: BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
A^{R}. WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.

FORT ST. GEORGE, DECEMBER 1752.

THE HON'BLE UNITED COMPANYS CASH.

		Dr.		
1	To allance brought from last Months Account Pags.	16557	26	15
8	To Linga Chittee & Subramoney Moodelare Renters of St. Thome receiv'd six Months rent of that Cowle due the 1st. of December 1751 ..	2000	—	—
—	To Linga Chittee & Kellava Chittee Beetle and Tobacco Farmers receiv'd two Months rent due the 1st. of November last	1333	12	—
—	To Pitloor Vencata Kistnah, & Permal Kellava Chittee Farmers of the Arrack & Wine Licence recd. two months rent due the 1st. Novr. last..	666	24	—
—	To Charles Boddam Impo. Warehousekr. receiv'd of him on account of Rupees sold	27788	2	36
19	To Linga Chittee receiv'd of him in full of his Ballance on account of Broad Cloth sold him.	23940	3	11
—	To Charles Boddam Import Warehousekr. receiv'd of him on account of Rupees sold	18263	5	55
26	To Charles Boddam Export Warehousekr. receiv'd of him in part of the Ballance of that Account for last Month	2000	—	—
—	To Charles Boddam Import Warehousekr. receiv'd of him in part of the Ballance of that Account for last Month	7000	—	—
—	To Henry Powney Sea Customer receiv'd of him in part of the Ballce. of that Account for last Month	4700	—	—
—	To John Smith Land Customer receiv'd of him the Ballance of Account for last Month ..	233	10	31
26	To Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master receiv'd the Ballance of that Account for last Month. Mss Ps.	20	—	—
	Carried over ..	104502	11	68

PER CONTRA.

			Cr.		
1	By Charles Boddam Military Paymr. advanc'd him for the charges of that Employ		5315	28	3[4]
8	By Charles Boddam Paymr. advanc'd him for Disbursements		5000	—	—
—	By Capt. John De Morgan paid him in full of the Principal & Intert. due on the late Presidt. & Council their Bond to him dated Novr. 8th. 1745				
	Principal	Pags. 1200 — —			
	Interest thereon to this day is yrs. 7. days. 20 @ 8 ℔ Ct. ℔ annum	677 9 26			
			1877	9	26
11	By Mr. Solomon Salomons, paid him in full of the Principal & Intert. due on the late Presidt. & Council their Bond to him dated Augt. 1st. 1745				
	Principal	A.Rs. 30000 — —			
	Interest thereon to this day is yrs. 7 ms. 4 @ 8 ℔ Ct. ℔ annum	17600 — —			
		A.Rs. 47600 @ 380 %	12526	11	30
	Carried over ..		24719	13	10

FORT ST. GEORGE, DECEMBER 1752—*cont.*

THE HONBLE UNITED COMPANYS CASH—*cont.*

		Dr.		
Brought over ..		104502	11	68
Carried over		104502	11	68

PER CONTRA—*cont.*

			Cr.		
	Brought over ..		24719	13	10
21	By Fort St. David, paid the amount of the following Bills of Exchᵃ. drawn by the Depy. Govr. & Council for money paid into the Hon'ble Companys Cash there Vizt.				
	1 dated 13th. Novr. in favour of Capt. Edmund Maskelyne for	Pags. 600	—	—	
	1.....11th Decr... ..Thomas Saunders Esqr.....	2000	—	—	
	1.....Do.....Do. for A.Rs. 4000 @ 380%	1052	22	59	
	1.....18th.....Mr. Alexr. Wynch 3955 @ 380 %	1040	28	34	
	4 setts of Bills amounting to		4693	15	13
—	By Expedition to Pegue paid a Bill of Exchange, drawn on us by Mr. Thomas Taylor, in favour of Captᵗ. William Grierson		208	4	40
21	By Tellesinga Chittee, & Condapah Chittee advd. them on accoᵗ. the Investmᵗ.		5000	—	—
—	By Sunca Vencata Ramah, & Ambaltaudy, advd. them on accoᵗ. the Investmᵗ.		5000	—	—
—	By Gundaveddy Vencata Ramah, & Nella Chittee, advd. them on accoᵗ. the Investmᵗ.		5000	—	—
—	By Tonnapah & coᵃ. Painters advanc'd them for Paintings		5000	—	—
—	By John Smith Rental Genl., & Scavinger advd. him for Disbursements		100	—	—
—	By Charles Boddam Commissary, advanc'd him to defray the Expᵃ. of the Troops abroad ..		7894	26	42
—	By Linga Chittee & Servanah Chittee advanc'd them for the provision of Fine Goods		23940	3	11
	Carried over		81555	26	36

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THE HONBLE UNITED COMPANYS CASH—*cont.*

		Dr.		
Brought over	104502	11	68	
Currt. Pags. ..	104502	11	68	

PER CONTRA—*cont.*

				Cr.		
	Brought over ..			81555	26	36
27	By Mrs. Mary Powney paid her in full of the Principal & Interest due on the late Presidt. & Councils Bond to her dated Augt. 27th. 1746.					
	Principal	Pags.	300 — —			
	Interest on Pags. 6500 from Augt. 27th. 1746 to October 30th. yrs. mo. days. 1752 is 6. 1. 22. allowing 11 days for the difference of stile	Ps.	3195 4 —			
	Interest on Ps. 4300 from Octr. 30th. to Novr. 27th. is 27 days		25 28 64			
	Do.....300 Novr. 27th. to Decr. 27th. is 1 Month ..		2 — —			
			3222 32 64			
				3522	32	64
—	By Ar. Wynch Mily. Storekr. advanc'd him for the Charges of that Employ			1050	—	—
—	By Thos. Saunders Esqr. Mint Master, paid him the Ballance of that accot. for last Mo. ..			91	12	75
—	By Madrass Pagodas for the Mint November Ballance			20	—	—
				86240	—	15
31st.	By Ballance carried to next months Account			18262	11	53
	Currt. Pags. ..			104502	11	68

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MADRASS PAGODAS.

		Dr.			Per Contra.			Cr.		
1.	To Ballance brought from last Months Account.	14952	—	—	5. By Ingeram Residency, remitted thither by Bill of Exchᵃ. on Metchlepatam	5000	—	—		
27.	To the Honble United Companys Cash for the Mint November Ballance	20	—	—	Premium on said Bill 2 ℔ Cᵗ...	100	—	—		
									5100	— —
					— By Madapollam Factory, remitted thither by Bill of Exchᵃ. on Metchlepatam	5000	—	—		
					Premium on said Bill 2 ℔ Cᵗ...	100	—	—		
									5100	— —
									10200	— —
					31st. By Ballance carried to next months Account ..				4,772	— —
		14972	—	—					14,972	— —

ERRORS EXCEPTED

℔ THOS. SAUNDERS.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, JANUARY 1753*——

To The Hon'ble Thomas Saunders Esq^R^.
Presid^T^. & Gov^R^. & C^A^. Council.

Hon'ble Sir & Sirs,

In consequence of an order of last Council, I now present to the Board, Account of Treasure remaining, & the Ballance of Cash to this day.

In the Treasury	Bullion	3 Chests	
Do.	Arcot Rup^s^.	710401	— —
In the Mint	Do.	154002	13 —
	Arcot Rup^s^.	864403	13 —
In the Mint	Mss Rup^s^.	1544	— —
In Cash	Pagodas	15344	9 61

I am
Hon'ble Sir & Sirs
Y^r^. most Obed^t^. Humble Servant
Henry Powney
Accompt^t^.

Fort S^t^: George
8th January 1753.

11 Sail'd the Hon'ble Companys Snow Arcot for Covelong.

— Receiv'd by Tappies Gen^l^. Letter from Fort S^t^. David dated 7^th^. Inst^t^.

12 Sign'd & Sent Gen^l^. Letter to Fort S^t^. David as Agreed at the last Consultation, & in reply to one since receiv'd & abstracted in Consultation following this Diary, directing them to require of Cap^t^. Mainwaring the particular reasons on which he grounds his Opinion that his Ship cannot be sufficiently fitted there to proceed to Europe.

16 Arriv'd Ship Mabarecq Menjelle, Mahomud Mooneem from Bengal.

— D^o^. Charles Schooner, Thomas Cooper, from Ingeram with a Gen^l^. Letter from thence dated 11^th^. & one from Bandarmalanka dated 7^th^ Instant.

— Sail'd Sloop George, Thomas Reason, for Bandarmalanka.

18 Arriv'd Sloop Fortune, Nathaniel Hammond, last from Vizagapatam with a Gen^l^. letter from thence dated 7^th^. Inst^t^.

— D^o^. Ketch Fiddle Dopie, Yalaree Syrang from Vizagapatam.

20 Receiv'd by Peons, Gen^l^. Letter from Fort S^t^. David dated 15^th^. Inst^t^.

At a Consultation

Present

Monday the 22^nd^. — Thomas Saunders Esq^R^: Gov^R^: Presid^T^:
Charles Boddam. Henry Powney.
Alex^R^: Wynch. John Smith.

Last Consultation read & sign'd.

Gen^l^. Letters read from Fort S^t^. David. — Gen^l^. Letters read Viz^t^.

No. 5 & No. 9 from the Deputy Gov^r^. & Council of Fort S^t^. David the first dated 7^th^. Instant desiring our directions in relation to a Letter they receiv'd, & enclose to us. from Captain Mainwaring, as enter'd after their said

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Letter, giving as his Opinion that the Colchester cannot be repair'd where she now is sufficiently to enable her to proceed for Europe, the other dated the 15th. Instant, advising that the Dragon Sloop has been deliver'd over to them, that they shall get her out of the River, the first springs, equip, & dispatch her with Capt. Dominicus &ca. that they now enclose us a List of Sundry Stores, which Major Lawrence is in immediate want of, likewise the Account of Kings Stores, & the Nabobs Account as far as they are able, also the following Papers Vizt.

Copy of a Letter from Mr. Dawsonne Drake Paymr. representing the great scarcity of Firewood which he is apprehensive may occasion some delay in the Works, for want of Bricks, requesting therefore that he may have the same Privileges as was allow'd his Predecessors, of Cutting Wood at Devecotah, as he cannot be supplied out of the Country as usual on account of the Troubles.

Copy of a Petition of Vencatachilum praying to be paid for a number of blue stones provided by his late Father, for building a Pagoda, but which during the Petitioners Absence in the King of Tanjores service were without his knowledge appropriated to the Companys service in building the Hornwork at Fort St. David.

Copy of a Petition of Meier Mansoor praying to be paid for an Arabian Horse, which he lent for the service of the Troop, & was kill'd in an Engagement.

No. 6 from Mr. Foss Westcott at Ingeram dated 11th. Instant, enclosing Journall Parcells, Cash Acct. and Account Quick Stock of that Settlement, also Invoice and Bill of Lading for fifty Bales consign'd us on the Honble Companys account on the Charles Schooner. Ingeram.

No. 7 from Mr. John Andrews at Bandarmalanka dated 7th. Instant, enclosing his Accots. for last Month, and acquainting us that he is in daily expectation of a Vessell from Vizagapatam, on which he intends to send us his Bales, that our Remittance on Buckanjee Cashedoss for (5000) Mss. Pags. has been duly paid, that it is impossible for him to keep his Washes together, who as they belong to Maddapollam & Narsapore are much awed by the French, & upon the least notice go to them. Bandarmalanka.

No. 8. from George Pigot Esqr. Chief, & Council of Vizagapatam, dated the 7th. Instt. advising us that they have shipped one hundred and fifty Bales for the Company on the Vizagapatam Snow, with which they shall dispatch her to Mr. Andrews, and by the End of the Month shall send us the remainder of their Cloth, That their Merchants have not kept the Weavers up to the Lengths, Breadths, or Goodness according to Contract for out of six hundred * Corge of Cloth they have been able to make up but little more than two hundred Bales, that no further demands having been made on the Estate of Mr. John Churchey Decd. they shall write off the Ballance as we directed, That our order prohibiting the Exportation of Cloth of the Companys Manufacture has been duely published, & they will be careful to prevent that Practice. Vizagapatam.

The Import Warehousekr. now pays into Cash the sum of Fifteen thousand, seven hundred & Eighty nine Pagodas seventeen Fanams, & four Cash (15789. 17. 4) on Accot. of Rupees sold. Money paid in on Accot. of Rups. sold.

A Note from Mr. John Moore for sundrys supply'd for the Expedition to Arcot in August 1751 being laid before the Board, AGREED that it is proper to discourage demands of this kind, on the Company, for matters of so long a standing as it prevents the Ascertaining the certain Expences of any Undertaking & that in future no Cognizance be taken of such as may be made out of due season, however in the present Case, & that of Vencatachilum referr'd John Moores note for sundrys supply'd in 1751 read. Demands of such longs anding to to be discouraged in future.

* A bale or lot containing 20 pieces.

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The Paymr. & Mr. Smith to examine and report.

from Fort S^{t}. David the Paymaster & M^{r}. Smith (who acted as such for some time) are directed to search the Books, & enquire whether the said Demands are just, or have been satisfied, & report the same to the Board.

St. David to be wrote to^{o}.

AGREED that the consideration of M^{r}. Drakes Letter sent us from Fort S^{t}. David be deferr'd till some information can be obtain'd in relation to what he alledges & that in our next advices to the Gentlemen there, we acquaint them that we cannot as yet say any thing to Vencatachilum's Petition, but as to that of Meier Munsoor, when we pay for the other Horses of the Troop that were kill'd or render'd unserviceable we shall consider him.

The Nabobs Genl. Accot. to be drawn out.

ORDER'D that the Accomptant revise the Nabobs Account receiv'd from Fort S^{t}. David, and draw out a General one to be sent him.

Ingeram cloth turns out bad.

Mr. Westcott to be wrote to on that subject.

The members of the Board represent that on sorting the Ingeram Cloth, most of it turns out extremely bad, AGREED to acquaint M^{r}. Westcott, that we have much reason to be dissatisfied with his Investment, that we recommend & expect his stricter Attention to the Companys Interest, by keeping up the manufacture to the usual Goodness in every respect.

Report of 8 Bales of damag'd Baftaes read.

To be sold at Outcry.

Pursuant to an order of last Consultation Mess^{rs}. Boddam, Powney & Wynch deliver in their Report, (as enter'd hereafter) of the Eight Bales of damag'd Baftaes remaining in the Warehouse ever since the Year 1751 whereby it appears that they are unfit for Painting to be sent to Europe ORDERED therefore that they be sold at Outcry.

Report Survey of the Arcot snow & Cuddalore sloop read.

The former to be sold & the latter to be sent to Vizagapatam to refit.

A Report Survey of the Arcot Snow, and Cuddalore Sloop being read (as enter'd hereafter) whereby it appears that the former is unfit for the Companys service & the latter in want of Repair, AGREED that on the return of the Arcot Snow from Covelong she be sold at Outcry for the Compys. account, for the most she will fetch, & that the Cuddalore Sloop be sent to Vizagapatam to refit.

Major Kinneer dying in low circumstances his Family to be recommended home.

The President acquaints the Board he is inform'd Major Kinneer died in very indifferent Circumstances and has a Family in Europe unprovided for, upon which consideration it is AGREED to mention their case to our Hon'ble Masters in the next General Letter, as the Major lost his life in their service.

Commiss^{ys}. Accot. read.

Charles Boddam Commissary lays before the Board the Accounts of that Employ drawn out in the manner directed in Consultation the 20th. November, which are read & approv'd.

Minutes of a Court of Enquiry on Lieutt. de Mare read.

Copy to be sent Majr. Lawrence, for his & the rest of the Officers Opinions.

The President acquaints the Board that Cap^{t} John Rodolph De Gingins having complain'd that Lieutenant John de Mare had divers times Aspersed his character, as he has been inform'd but which the latter denies, he therefore desir'd that a Court might be held to enquire of Witnesses upon oath, whether any, & what aspersions had been levelled at his conduct by the said M^{r}. De Mare, that in consequence of the said Request, he (the President) had order'd a Court of Officers to enquire into the said allegation, the Minutes whereof are now produc'd, & read (as enter'd hereafter) and the President at the same time acquaints the Board that he had sent a copy thereof to Major Lawrence for his Opinion thereon & that of all the other Officers, AGREED to deferr the Consideration thereof untill We receive the said Opinions.

Money rec'd for rent of confiscated Houses.

The Secretary pays into Cash the sum of two hundred & forty Eight Pagodas, thirty Fanams (248. 30. —) for Rent of Three Confiscated Houses, as in the Cash account is more particularly express'd.

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A Certificate from the Deputy Gov^{r}. and Council of Fort Marlborough for four hundred & fifty Dollars ($450) or Pag^{s}. (300) three hundred, payable to M^{r}. Rob^{t}. Turing Value there into the Hon'ble Companys Cash, being tender'd to the Board, ORDERED that it be discharg'd the same being duely advised of. Certificate from Fort Marlborough order'd to be paid.

AGREED that the following Advances be made out of Cash Viz^{t}. Advances out of cash

To the Commissary fifteen thousand, seven hundred & Eighty nine Pagodas, seventeen fanams, & four Cash (15789. 17. 4) to defray the Expences of the Troops abroad. To the Commissary.

To the Paym^{r}. two hundred & sixty three Pagodas five fanams and fifty five Cash (263. 5. 55) for sundry Disbursements. Paym^{r}. &

To the Storek^{r}. two hundred & sixty three Pagodas, five fanams and fifty five Cash (263. 5. 55) for the Charges of that Employ. Storek^{r}.

THO^{S}: SAUNDERS.
CHA^{S}: BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
A^{R}. WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.

TO THE HON'BLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQ^{R}.
PRESID^{T}. & GOV^{R}. &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HON'BLE SIR & SIRS,

In consequence of an order of last Consultation We have inspected into the Baftaes represented by the Ware H^{o}.K^{r}. to the Board, to be receiv'd from Fort S^{t}. David, very much damag'd, and had been laying in the Warehouse so Considerable a Time, which we found on examination by having the Pieces drawn through the light, that in the whole Quantity of Forty five Corge thirty of which were much torn & full of Holes, & the remaining part tho' a little better, the Cloth was so excessively rotten not to bare [*sic*] a rewashing, & all had been rejected a long while ago by the Painters, as utterly unfit for their purpose to work upon for sending to Europe; We shall be glad to receive your commands, what you would please to have done with the same, since We are of opinion they can be of no use to the Company from their bad condition, &

We are with great Respect.

HON'BLE SIR & SIRS,
Y^{r}. most Obed^{t}. Humble Servants,

CHARLES BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
ALEX^{R}: WYNCH

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TO THE HON'BLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQ^{R}.
PRESID^{T}. & GOV^{R}. &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HON'BLE SIR & SIRS,

In complyance to your orders, we have survey'd the Arcot Snow, & Cuddalore Sloop, and it's our opinion that the Arcot burthens about 130 or 140 Tunns, but very ill built for sailing.

Her Bottom appears (so far as we can see of it) to be in good order, & well sheath'd but beleive her to be a weak Vessell her Floor Timbers being but seven Inches thick, what the rest of her Timbers are we cannot Judge she being close Ceiled

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Her Bends appear to be very indifferent nor has she any Knees to her Beams in the Hold.

As for stores she has very few that will serve again, her Lower masts rather too small, & her Foremast much damag'd by a large rent in it, besides which she is in want of a new Topsail Yard, Topmast, & Gaft, a suit of sails, standing & running Rigging both forward & abaft, two anchors, three Cables, & all kinds of small stores.

In surveying the Cuddalore Sloop we find her Bottom, (so far as we can see of it forward) to be very much Worm Eaten, & sounding the Pump. we find she makes six Inches of Water in an Hour, therefore it's our opinion she should be sent to some Port, where she can be hauled ashore, and have a good repare [*Sic*], as to her upper Works she don't appear to want any thing extraordinary, except a new Windlace, new Gunnells, and Boldspreet, which seems to be too Weak for her.

We are

Hon'ble Sir & Sirs

Yr. Honours most Obedt. & most dutyful Servts.

Edward Burman.
Herbert Sutherland.
S. H. Bunyon.

Fort St: George
11th February 1753.

Proceedings of a Court of Enquiry Compos'd of the following Officers in the Service of the Hon'ble United East India Company held at Fort St. George Janry. the 17th. 1753 to examine the Depositions regarding the Liberties Lieutt. De Mare is said to have taken with Captt. De Gingins's Character.

Capt. Robert Clive, President.

Captt Edmund Maskelyne. Lieutt. Edward Pero.
Lieutt. Lawrence Merryman. Lieutt. John Brohier.
Ensign James Symmonds. Ensign Francis Paccard.
Ensign Achilles Preston & Ensign William Green.

} Members

The Letters mark'd Numbers. 1. 2. 3 being read to the Court as annexed unto these Proceedings, Mr. John Moore is call'd upon for his Evidence, Who deposes as follows.

Mr. John Moore appearing before me has sworn upon the Holy Evangelists to the Truth of this his Deposition, in Fort St. George January 19th. 1753.
Chs. Boddam.
Justice of The Peace.

That the Evening Liuett. De Mare landed here from Fort St. David, he ask'd him how Captt. Gingins did, to which he made no other Answer than that Captt. Gingins was a Rogue & a Rascal & had sent him & his Party to be sacrificed, & that whenever they met, they should soon decide it.

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Ensign Joseph Clack being call'd upon for his Evidence informs the Court that he was in Company with Mr. Moore at the time the foregoing discourse happen'd, & heard Lieut^{t}. De Mare say (upon Mr. Moores enquiring of him after Cap^{t}. Gingins's Health) that Cap^{t}. Gingins was a Villain & Rascal & had sent him & his Party as a sacrifice, & that when they met they should soon settle accounts; He likewise deposes that Lieut^{t}. De Mare repeated the same Expressions at Denckers Punch House where Lieut^{t}. Pero & Lieut^{t}. Spears were present and that the latter recollected these Circumstances, & advis'd him by Letter that he had sent Cap^{t}. Gingins his Deposition in writing which he was ready to attest upon Oath.

Ensign Joseph Clack appearing before me has sworn upon the Holy Evangelists to the Truth of this his Deposition in Fort St. George. January 19th. 1753. CHS. BODDAM. *Justice of the Peace.*

Lieut^{t}. De Mare acknowledges his being in Company with the two Evidences, where Lieut^{t}. Pero was likewise present, & says, that upon recounting the Tritchenopoly affairs to them, He said in his Passion that Cap^{t}. Gingins, & Lieut^{t}. Campbell had used him like a Rascal & Villain, which he was ready to prove; But that he never declar'd that Cap^{t}. Gingins had sent either himself or Command, as a sacrifice.

In relation to Mr. Dawsons Deposition qt^{d}. in Letter No. 3 (He) Lieut^{t}. De Mare denies what is therein alledg'd, but says He might have told Mr. Dawson amongst some other Gentlemen, that Cap^{t}. Gingins had inform'd him, the Nabob had made him an offer of 40 Horses as nigh as he can recollect, to remount the Troop, of which, if good, Cap^{t}. Gingins proposed accepting 20, but that he told him they proved good for nothing. He further says that Cap^{t}. Gingins did put his Present Horses into the Troop.

Lieut^{t}. Pero standing up as an Evidence deposes that he was in Company with Lieut^{t}. De Mare, Ensign Clack, & Mr. Moore when Mr. De Mare said that Cap^{t}. Gingins, & Lieut^{t}. Campbell had treated him like a Rascal & Villain, but that he never heard any thing further upon the subject to the best of his knowledge, Excepting that they would decide the matter when they met.

ROB^{T}: CLIVE.

LETTER No. 1 FROM MAJOR STRINGER LAWRENCE TO CAP^{T}. RODOLPH DE GINGINS.

FORT S^{T}: DAVID.
DEC^{R}. 29TH. 1752.

SIR

I have receiv'd your Letter of the 24th. in regard to the Court of Enquiry upon Lieut^{t}. De Mare, & find by the Companys Military Regulations, affairs of this nature are order'd to be brought before the Gov^{r}. & Council with an Addition of Two Captains, As you have acquainted Mr. Saunders. In my opinion the Captains Clive & Maskelyne are the properest on this occasion, as Mr. Pareilles speaks no English, & is therefore qualified for an Evidence only not a Judge, & the other Gentlemen lately put into Commission can't I think be so well vers'd in these matters as those I propose.

It appears by the orderly Book & the Information of Mr. Campbell the Adjutant, that Lieut^{t}. De Mare was order'd to the Battery, where he was made Prisoner in his proper Tour of Duty, & that his Party consisted of as many Men as was Customary, so that his accusation falls to the Ground, Cap^{t}. Clark, & Mr. Campbell acquaint me that Ensign Trusler with fewer Men, repuls'd the Enemy, when attack'd in the same Post, & pursued them to their Camp, if so, I think the Enquiry ought to be whether Lieut^{t}. De Mare defended

the Battery as he ought. The Disposition to support him was made in a regular & soldier like manner by the account I have receiv'd of it, so that if it should be found that Lieut^{t}. De Mare could have maintain'd his Post, twenty minutes longer He certainly ought to have done it, as in that time your whole Body must have join'd.

On taxing Mons^{r}. Law with cruelty towards our soldiers made Prisoners, particularly a Drummer, said to be murder'd in cool Blood by the Evidence of M^{r}. De Mare, Serjeant Nelson was call'd to prove that the Drummer was shot when beating to Arms, & M^{r}. Law affirmed that in the Presence of all the French Officers, Lieut^{t}. De Mare declar'd himself satisfied in regard to this Matter, & that it was nothing but a false Report.

Those Gentlemen who were on the spot will be best able to give what further Light into this affair, may be wanted, and well convinced that all your actions, during the time you commanded were calculated for the Publick Good.

I am
with great Esteem
SIR
Y^{r}. most humble & most Obed^{t}. Servant,
(Sign'd) STRINGER LAWRENCE.

Capt. De Gingins.

LETTER N^{o}. 2. FROM LIEUT^{T}. CHARLES CAMPBELL ADJUTANT TO ENSIGN JAMES TRUSLER.

DEAR TRUSLER,

I have receiv'd your Letter of Yesterdays date, & agreeable to your desire have looked over my Orderly Book by which I find the Post Lieut^{t}. De Mare was taken in to be regularly reliev'd every night by him, Ensign Wilkey & You, & that it was M^{r}. De Mares proper Turn of Duty to be at that Post, the Night he was taken.

His Command then was as follows.

	Serj^{ts}.	Drum^{rs}.	Rank & File.
Grenadier Company	1	1	21

All the * Coffree Company & 160 Seapoys.

Two field Pieces and 6 men of the Train.

I likewise find by my Book that you with the same Command of Men had the Charge of that Post for two Months before you went to meet the King of Mysore, & during your absence, Ensign Wilkey had the charge of it, & when you return'd you took Post there again, & the night the French attack'd you there, you had only the half of the Coffree Company the other half being orderd on command with Ensign S^{t}. Felix.

I'm extremely sorry to find there is reason for looking so far back, however every one is in Honour bound to tell the Truth.

I am,
DEAR JAMES
Yours most sincerely
(Sign'd) CHARLES CAMPBELL.

FORT S^{T}. DAVID
28TH. DEC^{R}. 1752.

* A negro of Madagascar or South Africa. The word is derived from Arabic, *Kafir* an infidel—Vestiges of Old Madras by Col. Love, Vol. II, page 63.

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LETTER No. 3 FROM Mr. GEORGE DAWSON TO Capt. RODOLPH DE GINGINS.

DEAR SIR,

I was favour'd with yours dated the 17th. Ulto. last night, in which you desire to know if I had not heard, Mr. De Mare make some Reports to your disadvantage. I did upon my Word & Honour hear him say to this Purport, that you had requested of the Nabob some Horse to remount your Troop, upon which, he desired you to go into his stables and take such as were proper for that service, when you went & took one or two at different Times, but never put them in the Troop.

Any other Certificate than this I cannot give you to which I can take my Oath.

I am sorry my name should be brought [into] Question, to a thing, I have no other concern in, than an intire Esteem for your Friendship.

If I have not the Pleasure of writing you again Give me leave to wish you a safe Return to England, with all imaginable Health and Happyness.

I am

MUCH ESTEEM'D FRIEND

Yr. Ever oblig'd & Humble Servant

(Sign'd) GEORGE DAWSON.

DEVECOTAH
2D. JANUARY 1753.

Receiv'd by Tappies Genl. Letter from Fort St. David dated 21st. Instant. 24

The President having communicated to the several Gentn. of Council a Letter from Lieutt. Smith at * Saudet Bundar advising that the Arcot Snow (which was order'd thither for the purposes mention'd in the Extraordinary Occurrences the 8th. Instant) after taking sundrys on board, parted her Cable, & drove as far to the southward as Sadrass. 25

It was agreed, that as it would probably be very difficult for the Vessell to work down hither against Wind & Current, to order her to go to Fort St. David & after delivering there what she may have taken on board at Saudet Bundar, proceed to Devecotah for a loading of Piles for the use of this Settlement, & return hither as soon as possible, and Letters to the foregoing Effect dated this day are accordingly sign'd & sent,

To Mr. John Pybus, at Devecotah,

To Capt. Joseph Bond, Commander of the Arcot Snow also To the Depy. Govr. & Council of Fort St. David, directing them at the same time to dispatch the Colchester to us, as by the Captains Letter & the Report Survey, enclos'd in theirs of the 21st. there is no prospect of her being capable of going to Europe this season.

Sail'd the Charles Schooner, Thos. Cooper, for Fort St. David. 26

Receiv'd by Tappies, Genl. Letter from Fort St. David dated 22d. Instt. —

Arriv'd Ship Alemadet, Tamaya Syrang, from Vatada. 27

Sail'd Ship Mobarecq, Munjelle, Mahomud Moneem, for Mocha & Juddah. 28

Receiv'd by Tappies, Genl. Letter from Fort St. David dated 25th. Instant. —

* Now known as Covelong. The word means auspicious port, so called by Anwaruddin, the first Nawab of Arcot.—C. D. Maclean's Manual of the Administration of Madras Presidency, Vol. III, page 237.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY THE 29TH. THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR: GOVR: PRESIDT:
CHARLES BODDAM. JOHN SMITH.
ALEXR: WYNCH. HENRY POWNEY.

Last Consultation read & sign'd.

Genl. Letters from Fort St. David read.

Nos. 10. 11. 12. Genl. Letters from the Depy. Govr. & Council of Fort St. David read Vizt., The first dated 21st. Instant enclosing a Report Survey of the Colchester, & a Letter from Captain Mainwaring containing the reasons on which he grounds his Opinion that his Ship cannot proceed to Europe with safety; The second dated the 22d. Instant, enclosing Copy of Capt. Mainwarings final answer that he does not think it proper his Ship should proceed to Europe without having her Bottom repair'd, but that notwithstanding he will endeavour to execute any orders he may receive from us, The third dated 25th. Instant advising that they have drawn on us for fifteen thousand (15000) Arcot Rupees in favour of Henry Powney Esqr. Value receiv'd into the Hon'ble Compys. Cash of Mr. Dawsonne Drake and also acquainting us of the Decease of Mr. John Smith one of the Hon'ble Compys. Writers.

A Bill of Exchs. drawn from Fort St. David Order'd to be accepted & paid.

A Bill of Exchange drawn on us by the Depy. Govr. and Council of Fort St. David for fifteen thousand (15000) Arcot Rupees in favour of Henry Powney Esqr. as advised in their Letter of the 25th. Instant, being presented to the Board ORDER'D that it be accepted & paid when due.

Petition of Paupa Braminy read, Order'd to lye on the Table.

A Petition of Rausum Vencatachilum Paupa Braminy being read, setting forth the long services of his Family, that before the loss of Madrass he acted as Chief Debash & Translator, and praying to be restor'd the said Employs ORDER'D that the said Petition do lye on the Table for the perusal of the Members, & the further Consideration of the Board.

Lieutt. De Mare desires leave to resign his Commission. Granted.

Letter from Lieutt. John De Mare dated this day read, as enter'd hereafter, requesting leave, for the reasons therein mention'd to resign the service, AGREED that his Resignation be accepted accordingly.

Capt. Gingins desires a Court may be appointed to enquire into his conduct. The consideration of it postpon'd,

Letter from Capt. Rodolph De Gingins dated this day read (as enter'd hereafter) desiring for the reasons therein mention'd that a day may be appointed for his Tryal, that his Character which has been Calumniated may no longer be left at an uncertainty, AGREED that as Major Lawrence, & the other Officers opinions on the Court of Enquiry is not yet receiv'd the consideration of the said Letter be postpon'd.

The Revd. Mr. Keirnander, desires to rent a piece of Ground of the Compy. at Devecotah. Consideration of it postpon'd till Mr. Pybus's. arrival.

Letter from the Revd. Mr. Kiernander one of the Protestant Missionarys read (as enter'd hereafter) setting forth that Mr. John Pybus having allotted him a Spot of Ground in the bounds of Devecotah, he cleared the same, & erected a House thereon, & Requesting that the same may not be subject to the Renters, but that he may hold it directly from the Company, paying a yearly Acknowledgement, AGREED that as Mr. Pybus may be expected shortly at this Presidcy. the consideration of this affair be postpon'd untill he can be consulted thereon.

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Letter from Capt. Robt. Clive with Steward Account Remains, and a List of Provisions (sign'd by the Storekr. of Fort St. David) when they were deliver'd to him by Mr. Smith, the same being read (as enter'd hereafter) represents that Gentleman to be a Witness of their Condition at that Time & no Orders being given for the disposal of them (except the Tobacco & Tamarind) most of them must Certainly have perish'd before this that the two other articles were twice put up at Outcry, without any Purchasers offering themselves, & the former was afterwards given the Coffrees that of the Beef & Pork, a large Quantity was sent with the Bombay Detachment, under Command of Capt. Andrews, for which he has Receipts & the Remainder is still quite unfit for use. Wherefore as it is manifest what the Hon'ble Company may suffer from these articles has not been owing to any neglect in him, but entirely from length of Time, Hopes he shall not be made answerable for them; The Board being convinced that Pease & Wheat, two principal articles in the said Account, are very liable to decay, & Mr. Smith acknowledges they were extreamly indifferent when deliver'd to Capt. Clive, AGREED that they be wrote off with the Tobacco, & Tamarind, which are well known to have been so bad, that no one would offer any thing for them, that with regard to the Saltmeat, what was sent with the Bombay Detachment, be carried to the head of Charges Extraordinary, & what he says is yet remaining be survey'd, and if found really not fit for any use that it be wrote off also, & as to the Copper Ware, if it is not in being, that Capt. Clive be order'd to make it good.

Stores order'd to St. David by the Fortune Sloop.

AGREED that such of the Stores as the Gentlemen at St. David represent Major Lawrence to be in immediate want of & we can supply, be laden on our Hon'ble Masters Sloop Fortune, & dispatch'd to St. David, directing her to be return'd to us as soon as the Stores are landed.

Monthly accots. read Vizt.

Mint.

Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master reads that Account for last month, Ballance remaining in the Mint, One thousand five hundred and forty four Mss. Rupees. & One hundred, & fifty four thousand, one hundred, & sixty eight Arcot Rupees, eight anaes (154168. 8. –) which is carried forward, due from the Mint thirty three (33) Mss. Pags. which are paid in & to the Mint four hundred & seven Currt. Pagodas, thirty five Fanams, & fifteen Cash (407. 35. 15) which are paid him.

Expo. Warehouse.

Charles Boddam Export Warehousekeeper reads that Account for last Month Ballance due from him, Four thousand, four hundred, & seventeen Pagodas, nine Fanams, & thirty four Cash (4417. 9. 34) of which he now pays in four thousand (4000) Pagodas in part.

Impo. Warehouse.

Charles Boddam late Import Warehousekr. reads that Account for last Month, Ballance due from him, three thousand, nine hundred, & twelve Pagodas Eleven Fanams, & forty seven Cash (3912. 11. 47) which he now pays in.

Paymasters.

Charles Boddam Paymr. reads that Account for last Month.

Charges Garrison	Pags. 233	33	5
Charges Hospital	202	6	76
Peons & Servants Wages	418	1	—
Charges General	68	5	15
Charges Extraordinary	478	—	56
Repairs	737	18	52
Materials supply'd Mr. Brohier for the use of Fortifications & Repairs	647	35	32
St. Thomé &ca. Villages	24	23	6
Poonamalee &ca. Villages	143	22	42
Fort Marlborough	358	34	28
Charges Cattle	66	24	—
Charges Diet	583	12	—
Pags.	3963	—	72

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BALLANCE due from him two thousand, four hundred & ninety three Pagodas, thirty five Fanams, & sixty nine Cash (2493. 35. 69) which is carried forward.

The Particulars of the Extraordinary Charges in the Paymasters Account are enter'd hereafter.

Mily. Paymrs. Charles Boddam late Military Paymr. reads that account for last Month, Ballance due from him, two hundred & fifty seven Pagodas, thirty three Fanams, & twenty three Cash (257. 33. 23.) which he now pays in.

Sea Customers. Henry Powney Sea Customer reads that Account for last Month, Ballance due from him, two thousand five hundred & twenty Pagodas, twenty one Fanams, & forty six Cash (2520. 21. 46) which he now pays in.

Storekeeper's. Alexr. Wynch Storekr. reads that Account for last Month, Ballance due from him, two hundred & twenty three Pagodas sixteen Fanams (223. 16. –) which is carried forward.

Milty. Storekrs. Alexr. Wynch Military Storekr. reads that Account for last Month, Ballance due from him one hundred & thirty three Pagodas twenty seven Fanams, & fifty one Cash (133. 27. 51) which is carried forward.

Land Customers. John Smith Land Customer reads that Account for last month, Ballance due from him, three hundred & ninety Pagodas, six Fanams, & Eight Cash (390. 6. 8) which he now pays in.

The accounts of the Town Conicoplies Duty for the year 1752, & Weighing duty for five months, from Janry. 1st. 1751/2 deliver'd in and the Produce paid. The Sea & Land Customers deliver in (as enter'd hereafter) the Accounts of the Town Conicoplies Duty, for the Year 1752, & Weighing Duty for five Months ending Ulto. May last (when that Cowle was farm'd out), as severally collected by them at the Sea Gate & Choultry, and pay in the neat Ballances thereof Vizt.

On account of the Town Conicoplies Duty—				
Of what collected by the Sea Customer ..	Pags.	433	24	75
by the Land Customer		56	23	54
		540	12	49

five hundred forty Pagodas twelve Fanams & forty nine Cash which is carried to the Head of Town Duty

On account of the Weighing Duty—				
Of what Collected by the Sea Customer ..		108	1	40
by the Land Customer		14	34	6
		122	35	46

One hundred twenty two Pagodas thirty five Fanams, & forty six Cash which is carried to the Head of Rents & Revenues.

State of the Sea & Land Customs for 1752 deliver'd in & Compar'd with the former. They at the same time deliver in as also enter'd hereafter, the State of the Sea & Land Customs respectively collected by them for the last Twelve Months, ending the 31st. Ultimo, whereby there appears a Decrease of the Sea Customs of one thousand & Sixty Pagodas twenty eight Fanams & twelve Cash (1060. 28. 12) and an Increase in the Land Customs of fifteen hundred and fourteen Pagodas, twenty nine Fanams, & fifty two Cash (1514. 29. 52) of which the Causes are assign'd at the foot of each of the said Accounts.

Sea Customs decreas'd

Land Customs Increas'd.

Rents paid in, of the Beetle & tobacco Farm Linga Chittee & Permaul Kellava Chittee Beetle & Tobacco Farmers pay in thirteen hundred, thirty three Pagodas twelve fans. (1333. 12. –) for two Months rent of that Cowle due the 1st. Instant.

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Pitloor Vencata Kistnah, & Permal Kellava Chittee Farmers of the Arrack & Wine Licence pay in six hundred sixty [*sic*] Pagodas twelve fanams (666. 12. –) for two months rent of that Farm due 1st. Instt. Arrack & Wine Licence &

Mootia Farmer of the * Banksall duties pays in two hundd. Pagodas (200) for Six months rent of that Farm due 1st. Decr. last. Banksall duties.

The Import Warehousekr. pays into Cash Eleven thousd. (11000) Pagodas on his running Account. Impo Wareho.kr pays money into Cash.

AGREED that the following Advances be made out of Cash To the Military Storekr. twelve hundred & fifty (1250) Pagodas, To the Storekr. three hundred, twenty eight Pagodas, thirty four Fanams, & Eight Cash (328. 34. 8) for Disbursements. Advances made out of Cash To the Milv. Storekr. Storekr.

To the Paymr. three thousand eight hundred sixty three Pagodas five fanams, & fifty five Cash for the Charges of that Employ. Paymr.

To the Military Paymr. five thousand, three hundred, & fifteen Pags. twenty eight fanams, & thirty four Cash (5315. 28. 34.) to pay the Military. & Milv. Paymr

CHAS: BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR. WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.

TO THE HON'BLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVR. &CA. COUNSEL OF FORT ST. GEORGE

HON'BLE SIR & SIRS

Being convinced from the Proceedings of my Enemies, that my continuing in the Service of the Hon'ble Company will be attended with Continual Uneasiness to myself & Family, humbly beg that you'll grant me leave to quit the service, & in so doing you will greatly oblige one who is with the greatest Respect & Esteem

HON'BLE SIR & SIRS
Yr. very humble & most Obedient Servant,
JOHN DE MARE.

FORT ST: GEORGE
JANUARY 29TH. 1753

TO THE HON'BLE THOS. SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDT. &CA. COUNCIL

HON'BLE SIR & SIRS

Capt. Maskeyline has inform'd me from the Governor that the Proceedings of the late Court of Inquiry concerning the Calumnies of Lieutt. Demare have been laid before you, & that they are thought sufficient to lead to a proper Determination of that Affair.

I have taken my resolution to go to Europe by the first Ship, & therefore request that you will do me the favour to appoint as soon as possible the day of my Trial to be held before yourselves, conformable to the 14th. article of the Companys Military Regulations by which as Major Lawrence is absent the eldest Commander here under him may undoubtedly supply his Place.

My Character as a Soldier and my Duty as bearing his Majestys Commission, require that this affair be not left to Uncertainties as far as depends on me, I hope therefore you will not think me too importunate, in desiring an immediate answer to my Request that I may as soon as possible prepare to obey your Orders or that I may take such other Resolutions as that answer shall render necessary.

* Warehouse. Specially Government Warehouse for Salt, tobacco, etc.—C. D. Maclean's Manual of the Administration of Madras Presidency, Vol. III, page 72.

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I have the Honour to be with most profound Respect

HON'BLE SIR & SIRS
Yr. most faithful et most humble Servant
R. D. GINGINS.

FORT STr; GEORGE
THE 29TH. JANUARY 1753.

TO THE HON'BLE THOS. SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDT. & GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL OF
FORT STr: GEORGE

HON'BLE SIR & SIRS

As Mr. Pybus has acquainted me that I may make my Application to your Honour &ca. Council, in regard to a Part of the Wood in the Dewicotta Country which he gave me leave to Cutt away & Clear in a manner fitt to be cultivated to the Extent of 15 Wealy which now since a Part of it is already clear'd and Cultivated, it appears that there will be twenty * Wealy in all, which with the same Expence of raising a high Bank around it, will be kept free from the over flowing of the salt Water, And as there about, all is low Ground, & no Place fitt to build a House upon for those People who cultivate that Ground, Mr. Pybus was so kind and gave me a spott of high Ground for that Purpose, to the East of the Willage call'd Pillupaduway, to the Extent of one Wealy, where besides the House built, I have also begun a small Garden.

It is therefore my most humble request that these Grounds may not come under the managemt. of the Renters, Who, neither themselves, nor any body else, would have been at the Expence of cultivating that Ground, which has not only been expensive in Cutting & Clearing away the Wood, but more so in raising a High Bank all around it, for to prevent its being over flown with the Salt Water, which has made it fruitless before, & under whose Management, I shall not be able to recover the Expences I have been at, besides many other Inconveniencies of being under their Disposal; But humbly beg that, it may please your Honour &ca. Council to graint me the above mentioned Grounds, to be under my own management, as a Property, for which I readily will pay a Yearly Acknowledgement whatever shall be thought proper & humbly submit to your Honours Pleasure in settling this affair, being at all times ready to any Service for the Hon'ble Company that lies in my power, and remain with all due respect

HON'BLE SIR & SIRS
Your Honours
Most Obedt. & most Humble Servant
S. KIERNANDER.

FORT STr: DAVID
JANRY. 16TH. 1753.

TO THE HON'BLE THOS. SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDT. & GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT STr: GEORGE

HON'BLE SIR & SIRS

Accompanying this your Honour &ca. will receive the Stewards Accot. Remains, as also a List of Provisions (sign'd by the Storekr. of Fort St. David) when they were deliver'd over to me by Mr. Smith, that Gentleman is a Witness of their Condition, and as I never receiv'd any orders from Mr. Floyer &ca. to sell them off (the Tobacco & Tamarind Excepted) Consequently most of them must have perish'd long before this, the above two Articles were twice put up at Outcry, without any Purchasers offering themselves, the former was afterwards given to the Coffree's.

As to the Beef & Pork, a large Quantity of both was sent with the Bombay Detachment, under the Command of Capt. Thos. Andrews as will appear by his Receipt, the Remainder is Still of Fort St: David but quite unfit for service.

* Veli—A measure of land containing five *kánis* or six acres and six-tenths—H. H. Wilson's Glossary of Judicial and Revenue terms (British India).

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As it is therefore manifest that what the Hon'ble Company may have suffer'd in these articles, pro[ceed], entirely from length of Time, & not any neglect of [mine] hope your Honour &c^{a}. will not make me answerable for the same, but be pleas'd to order the above Articles to be wrote off to Profits & Loss.

Being with great Respect
HON'BLE SIR & SIRS
Yr. most Obedt. Humble Servant
ROBT: CLIVE.

FORT ST: GEORGE
29TH JANRY. 1753.

ACCOUNT of Sundries deliver'd Mr. Robt. Clive Steward.

PROVISIONS									
Pease	..	..	..	Ca.	67	15	10	420	35	6
Europe Beef	..	..		⊕	56	3	24½	163	3	7
Fort St. David Do.	..	..		Ca.	9	13	13½	201	21	54
Bengal Do.	..	..			9	Casks		275	31	71
Tranquebar Do.	..	..		Ca.	2	1	—	39	18	—
Do. Pork	..	..		Ca.	6	2	22	181	27	—
Tamerin	..	..			10904 lb			54	16	46
Tobacco	..	..			5627 lb			168	31	16
Wheat	..	..			6¾ Garce			844	21	—
BRASS & COPPER WARE.										
Copper	..	..			Cat: 5. 20¾			178	21	20
GOODS FOR MADAGASCAR										
Europe Beef	..	..			10 Casks			233	7	75
							Pagodas ..	2762	18	55

Fort St. David
Novr. 30TH. 1753.

PETER ST. PAUL
Storekr.

GOODS &c^{a}. furniture at FORT ST. DAVID under the Care of Mr. Chs. Saunders, Steward.

IN THE FORT HOUSE.

1 Small Stand with Pidgeon holes for Papers
1 Ditto for Pressing Papers.
1 Buroe.
2 Large Alemaires.
1 Screen.
4 Looking Glasses.
38 Chairs.
8 Blackwood Chairs.
4 Elbow Do.
12 Pictures.
1 Clock.
1 Iron Cash Chest.
4 Black Stands.
1 Large Teak Table
3 Round Do.
2 Writing Do.
1 Consultation Do.
1 Dressing Do.
1 Tea Do.
2 Standing Cotts.
1 Corner Cupboard.

IN THE FORT HOUSE—*cont.*

4 Glass Shades.
1 Large Lanthorn.
3 Small Do.
1 State Pallenkeen.
1 Carpet.
3 Rattan Matts.
1 Shroff Chest.
1 Kettesall.
1 Syrrapaull.
3 Tom Toms.

IN THE GARDEN HOUSE.

3 Standing Cotts with Curtains & Beddings.
1 Bureau.
1 Large Teak Table.
3 Round Do.
4 Square Do.
2 Writing Do.
1 Small square Do.
3 Tea Do.
3 Blackwood Settes.
1 Leather Do.

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In the Garden House—*cont.*
1 Card Table.
40 Chairs 6 Unserviceable.
32 Do. Blackwood.
8 Looking Glasses.
2 Wall Lanthorns
1 Large Do.
10 Glass Shades.
2 Blackwood Stands.
2 Teak Do.
4 Brass Lamps.
1 Desk.
4 Elbow Chairs.
1 Small Table.
2 Large Cages.
3 Rattan Matts.
1 Clasp Cott.
6 Rabitt Hutches.
1 Large Chest, & 12 Benches.

In the Secretarys Office.
2 Large Presses for Books.
1 Small Do. for Papers.
1 sett of Pidgeon Holes.
1 Round Table.
1 Small Table.
1 Large Chest.
2 Small Writing Desks.
5 Chairs.

In the Accomptants Office.
1 Large Press for Books.
1 Small Do. for Papers.
1 Chest.
3 Small Desks
2 Iron Binding for pressing Papers.
5 Chairs.

In the Export Warehouse.
1 Press.
1 Desk.
11 Sorting Tables.
204 Wooden Horses. 30 Unserviceable.
1 Bench.
1 Chest.
1 Bale Screw.
4 Chairs.

In the Import Warehouse.
1 Desk.
2 Chairs.
1 Rupee Chest.
12 Wooden Horses.

In the Storekrs: Office.
2 Desks.
1 Round Table.

In the Military Storekrs. Office.
1 Desk.
1 Square Table.

In Mr: Mansells Apartment.
1 Clasp Cott.
1 Round Table.
3 Chairs. 4 Unserviceable.

In Mr: Brownings Apartmt:
1 Square Table.
4 Chairs. 2 Unserviceable.
1 Standing Cott.

In Mr. Newtons Apartmt.
1 Sett of Pidgeon Holes.
1 Desk.
1 Clasp cott.
1 Chair.

In the Serjt: Majrs: Office.
1 Desk.
1 Square Table.

In the main guard Room.
1 Square Table.

In Capt: Campbell's Apartmt.
1 Standing Cott.

In Mr: Drake's Apartmt:
1 Chair.
1 Square Table.
1 Desk.

At Ensgn. Peppers in the Garden Ho.
1 Round Table.
2 Chairs.

At Mr: Careys Apartment.
1 Standing Cott.
1 Desk with Top.
2 Chairs,

At Mr: Saunders Apartmt:
1 Desk.
1 Standing Cott.
1 Large Lanthorn.
Chairs. 2 Unserviceable.

At Mr: Greenslate's apartmt.
2 Chairs.

At Mr: Call's apartmt:
13 Chairs.
1 Large Square Table.
1 Standing Cott.

At the Factory House in Cuddalore.
(Mr. Sloper.)
2 Writing Desks.
6 Chairs.
1 Large Square Table.

At the Fort & Garden Cook Rooms.
5 Square Tables.

At the Garden Butlery.
1 Corner Cupboard
1 Alemair.
1 Small Chest.
2 Square Tables.
1 Large Round Do.

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AT THE FORT BUTLERY.
2 Alemairs.
3 Shelves.
2 Large Square Tables.

AT DOCTOR WILSONS' in the FORT.
1 Brass Mortar.
1 Large Marble Do.
1 Do. Still.
1 Small Do.
6 Glass Urinals.
32 Pewter Close Stool Pans.
12 Fractur's Cradles.
2 Glass Mortars.
2 Kitchen Pans.
13 Bed Pans.
2 Chairs.

AT DOCTOR MASSEY'S in Cuddo. Hospl.
2 Brass Mortars.
2 Marble Do.
1 Counter.
1 Tauch.
1 Large Cloaths Chest.
1 Desk.
3 Chairs.
4 Setts of Drawers.
1 Puss for Instruments.
1 Camp Chest.

REMAINS in the GODOWN.
Pallenkeens 4 Unserviceable.
Standing Cott 1 Do.

COPPER WARE at the FORT & GARDEN Ho.
11 Large Potts.
6 Frying Pans.
1 Cake Do.
2 Sauce Do.
43 Patty Pans.
1 Tauch for Cooling Country Beer.

COPPER WARE at Butcher Woodfords.
2 Large Potts.
3 Small Do.

COPPER WARE AT MR. CALLS.
1 Pot
1 Tauch.

COPPER WARE AT MR: CAREYS.
1 Frying Pan.

COPPER REMAINS in the GODOWN.
2 Large Potts.
2 Chafing Dishes.
2 Fish Kettles.
11 Dripping Pans.
1 Gollon Pot.
1 Quarter Do.
2 Ovens.

FORT ST. DAVID,
NOVR. 21ST. 1752.

BRASS WARE AT THE GARDEN HOUSE.
4 Ladles.
1 Sauce Pot.
7 Covers for Dishes.

BRASS WARE at Mr. Careys.
1 Sauce Pot.

BRASS WARE IN MAULDAW'S CHARGE.
1 Tea kettle.
1 Bandaira.
1 Chaffing Ditch.

BRASS WARE REMS. in the Godown.
Covers for Dishes 10 Unserviceable,
1 Mortar 1 do.
1 Sauce Pot.
1 Ladle.
2 Bandegers.

IRON WARE IN THE GARDEN HOUSE.
3 Spits.
6 Stands.
4 Chopping Knives.
1 Prong'd Fork.
3 Grils.

IRON AT MR. Carey's.
1 Spit.
2 Stands.
1 Gril.

IRON REMS: in the GODOWN.
5 Spits.
4 Stands.
1 Botcasce.

SILVER FURNITURE.
13 Spoons.
3 Salt Cellars.
1 Cuspidore.
1 Tea kettle.
4 Tea Spoons.
2 Sauce Pans.
4 Candle Sticks.
2 Peacock Feathers mounted with Silver.
2 Lyons Heads.
27 Pallankeen Tossells.
2 Chubards Sticks.
1 Pr. of Cullasses for Pallakeen.
1 Hoster & Chillinger.
2 Rose Water Bottles & 2 Desties.
2 Ink Stands.
2 Prs. of Pallankeen Cullasses.
5 Pallankeen Tossells.
1 Kettysol Top.

ERRORS EXCEPTED
CHAS. SAUNDERS.
Stewd.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, JANUARY 1753*——

AN ACCOUNT of the Town Conicoplies Duty Collected at the Sea Gate 1752.

January	Pags.	55 12	35
February		57 18	25
March		210 21	70
April		66 14	20
May		57 20	35
June		26 35	15
July		43 12	5
August		41 15	75
September		18 4	65
October		51 35	75
November		3 26	75
December		— 22	60
		633 24	75

Deduct the usual Allowances

To the Town Conicoply..	Pags.	100	— —	
To the Collector ..		50	— —	
		150	— —	
				483 24 75

FORT ST. GEORGE
31ST. JANUARY 1753.

ERRORS EXCEPTED
℔ HENRY POWNEY
*Accomp*t.

ACCOT. of Town Conicoplies Duty, Collected at the Choultry

January	Pags.	2 14	12
February		4 14	3
March		4 29	39
April		3 29	—
May		9 32	47
June		6 20	68
July		4 6	17
August		4 12	3
September		3 14	55
October		3 27	47
November		— 33	3
December		8 6	—
			56 23 54

ERRORS EXCEPTED
℔ JOHN SMITH
Land Customr.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, JANUARY 1753*——

ACCOUNT OF WEIGHING DUTY Collected at the Sea Gate from Primo January to Ultimo May 1752.

					fs,					
1751/2 January	..	..	Fans.	462	20 @ 36	12	30	20		
February	..	..		513	50	14	9	50		
March	..	..		1560	25	43	12	25		
April	..	..		441	75	12	9	75		
May	..	..		1031	10	28	23	10		
						111	13	20		
Conicoplys pay for Collecting the money for 5 mo. @ Fs. 24 ℔ Mo.			..		..	3	12	—		
									108	1 20

ERRORS EXCEPTED
℔ JOHN SMITH
Sea Custom^r.

ACCOUNT OF WEIGHING DUTY Collected at the Choultry from Primo January to Ultimo May 1752.

January	..	..	..	Pags.	—	35	16		
February	..	..	..		2	19	32		
March	..	..	..		3	18	56		
April	..	..	..		2	26	3		
May	..	..	..		5	6	59		
								14	34 6

ERRORS EXCEPTED
JOHN SMITH
Land Custom^r.

DIFFERENCE OF THE SEA CUSTOMS, ST: THOME INCLUDED BETWEEN THE YEARS 1751 & 1752.

	Custom on Goods.						Custom on Grain.						Anchorage.					
	1751			1752			1751			1752			1751			1752		
	p.	f.	c.	p.	f.	c.	p.	f.	c.	p.	f.	c.	p.	f.	c.	p.	f.	c.
January	2617	34	72	1237	17	60	2045	31	52	1087	28	68	44	—	—	32	—	—
February	3515	11	8	2179	13	52	938	10	16	1929	23	20	63	18	—	86	—	—
March	3098	14	78	5201	1	36	1285	34	4	614	22	60	49	18	—	52	—	—
April	2403	17	72	4533	24	52	1134	15	4	1563	23	32	41	—	—	59	—	—
May	2928	9	72	1390	14	1	734	12	44	279	5	44	45	—	—	75	—	—
June	3021	35	14	2815	6	22	66	24	76	49	30	56	26	18	—	60	18	—
July	2126	12	62	1963	9	32	709	3	72	203	21	76	46	18	—	79	18	—
August	1291	25	3	1535	9	54	228	13	40	496	20	24	24	18	—	76	—	—
September	2351	5	72	1111	30	20	329	14	8	80	31	44	61	18	—	43	18	—
October	2004	9	70	2052	17	24	100	31	20	175	11	8	46	18	—	48	18	—
November	2739	26	61	5480	13	22	195	27	—	69	13	48	5	—	—	5	—	—
December	1185	6	1	232	29	56	457	20	12	—	—	—	4	18	—	7	—	—
	29283	30	25	29733	7	41	8226	22	28	6550	17	—	458	—	—	624	—	—
Increase ..	449	13	16	—	—	—	Decrease			1676	5	28	166	—	—	Increase.		
	29733	7	41							8226	22	28	624	—	—			

Decrease on Grain this Year is					1676	5	28
Increase on Goods	449	13	16				
Do. on Anchorage	166	—	—				
					615	13	16
Total decrease this year Ps. ..					1060	28	12

The Decrease in Customs on Grain proceeds Chiefly from the Scarcity & Dearness of it in Bengal, which prevented any being imported from thence in September, So that the Quantity fell short about 580 Garse of Rice than in the Proceeding Year, as also from a lesser Value, which the large Importation from the Country, Limited it to.

HENRY POWNEY
Sea Customr.

ABSTRACT OF THE LAND CUSTOMS for the Years 1751 and 1752 Compared with Each other.

1751	Pags.	Fs.	C.			
January	342	11	45			
February	274	33	47			
March	353	2	2			
April	793	7	13			
May	808	12	37			
June	456	8	67			
July	367	12	36			
August	322	29	32			
September	516	29	19			
October	151	13	33			
November	174	3	78			
December	453	24	7			
				5014	8	16
Increas'd Last Year ..				1514	29	52
Pagodas ..				6529	1	68

1752					
January	814	32	62		
February	837	24	51		
March	1354	33	17		
April	518	23	63		
May	381	23	65		
June	516	7	52		
July	339	27	10		
August	296	5	—		
September	327	19	3		
October	517	35	26		
November	233	10	31		
December	390	6	8		
				6529	1 68
Pagodas				6529	1 68

THE Increase of the Customs this Year is owing Chiefly to the Disturbances in the Country, which has occasion'd the Merchants, Who used to sell their Goods there, to bring many of them into our Bounds.

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Extraordinary Expences in the Paymrs. Accot. are in the following Particulars Decr. 31st. 1752.

	Pags.		
Charges Garrison			
Oil, difference in the Price more than last Mo.	2	9	43
Charges General			
Green Cloth for the Fort & Office Windows	4	22	76
Charges Extraordinary	478	—	56
Repairs	737	18	52
Materials Supply'd Mr. John Brohier for the use of Fortifications & Repairs	647	35	42
St. Thome &c'. Villages	24	23	6
Poonamalle &ca. Villages	143	22	42
Fort Marlborough	358	34	28
Pagodas ..	2397	23	15

30th. Sail'd the Hon'ble Companys Sloop Fortune, John Hammond, for Fort St. David, with a Genl. Letter to the Depy. Govr. and Council there dated this day.

— Receiv'd by Pattamar, Genl. Letter from the Hon'ble the Presidt. & Council of Bombay dated 17th. Ulto. also Genl. Letter from the Chief & Factors at Tellicherry, dated the 27th. Ultimo.

February.

2 Arriv'd Snow Vizagapatam, Alexr. Kidd, from Vizagapatam and Bandarmalanka with the following Genl. Letters Vizt.

From Vizagapatam dated	9th.	Ulto.
Ingeram	12th. & 14th.	
Bandarmalanka	20th.	

3 Arrived Ship Brill, David Robertson, from Bengal.

4th. Arriv'd Ship Brill, David Robertson, from Bengal.

— Receiv'd by Peons Genl. Letter from Mr. John Pybus at Devecotah dated 31st. Ultimo.

5th. Arriv'd Sloop Orange Tree William Duggin, from Bengal.

At a Consultation

Present

Monday the 5th.

Thomas Saunders Esqr: Govr: Presidt:
Charles Boddam. Henry Powney.
Alexr. Wynch. John Smith.

Last Consultation read & sign'd

Genl. Letters read Vizt. — Genl. Letters read Vizt.

From Bombay. — No. 13 From the Hon'ble the Presidt. and Council of Bombay, dated 17th. Decr. advising us that Salabat Jung has lately concluded a Peace with Nanna, the Chief General of the Morattas, that our Hon'ble Masters Ship Stretham sail'd from thence the 29th. Novemr. with a full Loading.

Tellicherry — No. 14 From the Chief & Factors at Tellicherry dated 27th. Decr. serving only to accompany the above Packet from Bombay.

Vizagapatam. — No. 15. From Mr. George Pigot Chief &ca. Council of Vizagapatam dated 9th. January enclosing Invoice & Bill of Lading for one hundred & fifty Bales of Callico, Consign'd to us on the Vizagapatam Snow for the Hon'ble Companys Account.

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No. 16 & 17 From Mr. Foss Westcott Resid^{t}. at Ingeram, the first dated the 12th. Ultimo, acknowledging the receipt of ours of the 24th. December, in Complyance wherewith he intends to send his Letter again to the Chief & Council of Metchlepatam, and shall acquaint Mr. Knapton who is now at Vizagapatam with our Directions for his Coming up hither. The other dated the 14th. Ultimo, serving only to accompany a Plan of Nilli Pillee &c^{a}. Towns, lately granted to the Hon'ble Company by the Rajah as also the Rivers of Ingeram and Coringa. Ingeram.

N^{o}. 18 From Mr. John Andrews at Bandarmalanka dated 20th. January, enclosing Invoice & Bill of Lading for one hundred & Eighty one Bales of * Callico consign'd to us on the Vizagapatam Snow, for Account of the Hon'ble Company, and desiring we will send him one Bale of Green & One Bale of Blue † Perpetuanoes for the Yearly Present. Bandarmalanka &

N^{o}. 19 From Mr. John Pybus at Devecotah, dated 31st. Ult^{o}. enclosing the Accounts of that Settlement, for last Month, & mentions that as we have promis'd him a Successor shortly & his health being so much impair'd as to render his Stay there any longer of very dangerous Consequence, he propos'd to leave the Charge of that Settlement to Mr. George Dawson, and to go to Fort S^{t}. David for the recovery of his Health, & from thence hither. Devecotah.

Gen^{l}. Letter to the Dep^{y}. Gov^{r}. & Council of Fort S^{t}. David, dated this day, sign'd acquainting them that since we wrote to them the 25th. ultimo, the Arcot Snow having return'd to Covelon, we have order'd her hither instead of proceeding to them, that as we expect two Ships half loaded from Bengal & one Empty, we shall dispatch the two first to them (which will be the Earliest), to fill up as the season grows late & if the Southerly Wind should set in as is probable before the Arrival of the last, her Passage to S^{t}. David would be render'd very tedious, therefore we direct them to prepare accordingly & that they make a Calculate of what number of Bales will be necessary, and send us the remainder on the Colchester, also acquainting them that we shall discharge their Bill on us, & remit them a large supply of Cash by the first good Sea Conveyance. Genl. Letter to Fort St. David read and sign'd.

Letter from Duncan Robertson dated this day read, setting forth that he was left here by Cap^{t}. Bell, at the request of Mr. Robins & Mr. Hopkins to go on an Expedition to the northward, with the latter, on which Account he Conceived himself to be in the Compy^{s}. Service. and not having receiv'd any Pay or Salary for Eight months, he prays to be allow'd such subsistance as we shall think fit; as We are not thoroughly Convinced that Mr. Robertson was retain'd in the Companys Service, & that we think it necessary to have some further Information as to the Circumstances of what he alledges, AGREED that the said Letter do lye on the Table for the further Consideration of the Board. Letter from Duncan Robertson read Praying an Allowance for his subsistance. Order'd to lye on the Table.

The Petition of John Norris Victualer read, (as enterd hereafter) setting forth that having at a time of necessity lent the Company a Pair of Chaise Horses for the Troop, one of which was kill'd in Action and the other left at Fort S^{t}. David which he prays may be taken for the use of the Troop, and that he may be allow'd for the Pair the Price he was offer'd at the time of lending them Viz^{t}. three hundred Pagodas And the Petitioner having made appear by Letter, that he was offer'd that sum, AGREED therefore as well as in Consideration of his having lost the use of his Money for a great while that his Request be complied with. Petition of John Norris, to be paid for two Horses lent for the Troop. Granted.

Letter, not dated, from Mr. Chabbert, late Captain of the first Company of Swiss read (Translate whereof is enter'd hereafter) requesting for the several reasons therein mention'd that he may be permitted to take his Passage for Europe on a French Ship intended to be shortly dispatch'd from Pondicherry also another Letter dated this day requesting an Answer to his former. Letter from Capt. Chabbert desiring leave to go home on a French ship.

* Cotton cloth, ordinarily of tolerably fine texure—Hobson-Jobson.

† The name of a cloth. It appears to have been a light and glossy twilled stuff of wool—Hobson-Jobson.

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Opinion of the several members thereon Vizt. The Board having deliberated on the Subject of the said Letter, & not being entirely unanimous in their Opinions, the President requir'd of each Member his particular Sentiments and reasons, in writing, which they respectively deliverd in as follows.

Mr. Boddam. " As we have so many Ships of our own going home, I think Captt. Chab-
" bert cannot want a Passage, & may as easily be accomodated aboard of them
" as any reason he can give for on a French Ship, which in my opinion what he
" asserts in his Letter to induce him for taking his Passage on the latter appears
" frivolous as there is no doubt to be made but some of our Ships will be dis-
" patch'd in good Season, and the objection he makes on that Account is totally
" removed; So I cannot by any means Consent in Complying with his request,
" as Affairs are Circumstanced at Present, between the Gentlemen of Pondi-
" cherry, and us that he be admitted to embark on board a French Ship neither
" do I believe it agreeable to the Companys Directions or to the Rules commonly
" practis'd in our Settlements, that a Person under the Companys authority
" should have the Liberty of preferring foreign Ships, before their own parti-
" cularly when Conveyances, offer so conveniently of meeting with an accomo-
" dation to apprehend no Disappointment.

Chs. Boddam.

Mr. Powney. " I am of Opinion that we have no right forcibly to detain Captt. Chab-
" bert, or prevent his going to Pondicherry, yet as he has applied to us for our
" Permissn. and pressed for an answer, which cannot well be refus'd, I think
" the present Circumstances of Affairs between us, & the French, the little room
" there is to doubt of his having sufficient Accommodation in an English Ship,
" as well as the unusualness of Persons going home on foriegn Ships are suffi-
" cient motives for our not acquiescing.

Henry Powney.

Mr. Wynch. " As Captt. Chabbert was sent out by the Company in their Service, I
" think he should embark for England on one of their Ships, and as there has
" not been an Instance (but in time of War when a neutral Ship has been
" preferred by some few) of any Gentleman that has been in the Companys
" Service going on a foreign Ship, except such whose Circumstances have
" oblig'd them to fly the Country, this added to the Terms the French, & We
" are upon in these parts, I Cannot give my Consent to his Embarking on a
" French Ship.

Ar. Wynch.

Mr. Smith. " Captt. Chabbert has given his word that he will not enter into the
" French Service but immediately Embark for Europe, and I look upon him as
" a man of too much honour to forfeit it which is the reason I am of opinion,
" that he may be permitted to go on a French Ship.

John Smith.

the President. Which several opinions being read the President then declared that he had made the strictest Enquiry of every one who could give him the least Insight into the present Affair, on what occasions it had been usual for Persons residing in our Settlements to go home on foreign Ships, & found it had never been done by any except such, who by reason of Debt or other desperate Circumstances were in some measure oblig'd to it, that as there are three Ships to be dispatch'd from hence this Season & one very shortly there is not the least doubt of his having Accommodations Especially as some of the Ships from Europe last Season brought out more Passengers than intend to proceed on all those now homeward bound, besides that Captt. Chabbert having in a very peremptory manner insisted on going from Pondicherry as being a Stranger & not Subject to our orders; For all which reasons he is of opinion we should not consent to his going home on a French Ship.

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Whereupon the opinion of the Majority of the Board being against granting the said Request; the Secretary is order'd to signify the same to Capt. Chabbert. — Capt. Chabberts request not Granted. the Secry. to acquaint him thereof.

The President acquaints the Board that he had receiv'd from Major Lawrence the opinion of himself and the rest of the Officers on the Court of Enquiry in relation to the difference between Capt. De Gingins & Lieut. De Mare which is read (as enter'd hereafter) And Capt. Gingins Letter read at last Consultation being taken into Consideration the Board are of opinion that as by the Hon'ble Companys Military Regulations, it is prescribed that in all Cases of a Military Nature which may come before the Hon'ble Board, the Commanding Officer of the Military & two Captns. are to be admitted as Members to Judge and determine therein with them the President & Council. It is at this time not in their Power to grant the Tryal Capt. D'Gingins requires from the absence of Majr. Lawrence and the want of a Captain to supply his Place there being no more than two here that can be admitted as members (both Capts. Scrimsour & Vareilles having been objected to as improper to sit as Members at the Court of Enquiry on Mr. De Mare, (& must of Course in a Tryal of this Nature), Nevertheless Majr. Lawrence and the whole Corps of Officers in Camp at a Court assembled for that purpose are of Opinion that the Aspersions Mr. Demare is charg'd with are sufficiently proved, & that he ought no longer to Continue in the Service which they (the President & Council) think implies a Justification of Capt. D Gingins's Conduct they make no doubt but he will be satisfied therewith, especially as Mr. Demare has resign'd his Commission; And the Secretary is directed to acquaint Captain D' Gingins herewith.

Majr. Lawrence &ca. officers opinion on the Court of Enquiry in relation to Lieut. De Mare read.

Capt. Gingin's Letter read at last Consultation Consider'd.

Boards opinion thereon.

which the Secry. is to acquaint Capt. D'Gingins with.

The Export Warehousekr. delivers in an Account sale of the damag'd Baftaes order'd in Consultation the 22d. ultimo to be sold at Outcry for the Hon'ble Companys account, which is read, & order'd to be enter'd hereafter.

Accot. Sale of damag'd. Baftaes read.

Pursuant to an Order of Consultation the 18th. December, the Accomptant lays before the Board an Account of sundry Deficiencys in the stewards account Remains of the Companys Household Furniture Order'd that the secretary deliver the same to the steward, and acquaint him that we expect him to account for that Deficiencys.

Deficiencys in Stewards Accot. Rems. produc'd, the Stewd. to acquaint for them.

Agreed that fifty thousand (50,000) Madrass Rupees be sent on the Hon'ble Companys Sloop Cuddalore, for forwarding the Investment there.

(50,000) Rupees to be sent to Vizagapatam on the Cuddalore Sloop.

It being reported to the Board that the Gun Carriages on the Ramparts &ca. suffer greatly by being continually & unnecessarily expos'd to the Weather, whence continual Charge arises for repairs which might be avoided by the method practiced in Europe of keeping the Guns dismounted on the Bastions, & the Carriages under Cover, Agreed that the proper Officer be consulted on this occasion previous to any Resolution hereon.

Propos'd to dismount the Guns on the Ramparts &ca. & keep the Carriages under Cover. the proper Officer to be previously consulted.

Pursuant to an order of Consultation of the 6th Novr. Mr. Brohier now delivers in a Report of the Damages sustain'd by the Hon'ble Companys Buildings in the late Storm with an Estimate of the Expence it will require to put them in Repair amounting to Pagodas four thousand three hundred and fifteen (4315 – –) and subjoin'd thereto a further Estimate of the Charge of building a strong and substantial Revettment to the Ditch before the East Curtain as low as the Barr amounting to Pagodas nineteen thousand five hundred & eighty

Mr. Brohier delivs. in a Report of the damages sustained by the Comys. Buildings in the storm.

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& an Estimate of Expences of repairing also. An Estimate of the charge of building a Revettment to the ditch before the East Curtain the Consideration of it deferr'd. But the damages sustain'd by the buildngs to be mmediately epair'd.

seven (19587 – –) the present Revetment having receiv'd infinite Detriment by the Sea, being broke down in several Places, & the Sand wash'd up against the Wall which has likewise suffer'd; He also represents that as the Sea has within these few Years apparently gain'd upon the Town it will soon endanger the East Curtain if not timely prevented by such a Building against which the Surf may throw up the Sand and secure the Curtain that otherwise would bring down in its ruins all the continguous Buildings, and put the Hon'ble Company to a more considerable Expence in repairing it; As this seems a Matter of very material Consequence, the Board Judge it improper to be too precipitate in their Determination thereupon, AGREED therefore to deferr the same for further Consideration, But that with respect to the other Damages, they be repair'd without loss of Time.

Cash accot. read.

The President reads the Cash Account for last Month, Ballance remaining now Compar'd with the Chest, Twenty three thousand, nine hundred and Sixty four Currt. Pagodas, thirty Fanams & Twenty six Cash (23964. 30. 26) and Ten thousand and five (10005) Madrass Pagodas which is Carried forward.

The Impo. W.H.Kr. pays money into Cash.

The Import Warehousekr. now pays into Cash the sum of five thousand (5000) Pagodas in part of the Ballance of his last Months account.

THOS: SAUNDERS.
CHAS: BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AB: WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.

TO THE HON'BLE THOMAS SAUNDERS, ESQR. PRESIDENT, COUNCIL &CA.

THE HUMBLE PETITION OF JOHN NORRIS VICTUALER

SHEWETH

That your Honours Petitioner almost two Years since having by him a Compleat Pair of Horses fit for a Gentlemans use with a four Wheel Chaise, for which he had been offer'd three hundred Pagodas which he refus'd, But when the Troop was rais'd the same was demanded for the Hon'ble Companys use, which accordingly was deliver'd for the same, One of which Horses was afterwards kill'd in the Field, and the other left at Fort St. David about two Months since, which is very expensive to him in keeping.

Therefore your Honours Petitioner humbly prays that you would be pleas'd to take the same into Consideration, and take the Horse at Fort St. David into the Hon'ble Companys Service, & allow him for the value of the Pair, which at this Time would be very acceptable to your Honours Petitioner.

And Yr. Petitioner as in duty bound, shall ever pray &ca. &ca.

HON'BLE SIR & SIRS

THE unlucky & uncertain Circumstances with respect to the Departure of the English Ships design'd for Europe, which are not yet arrivd from Bengal altho' the season is far advanc'd, and the great reason there is to imagine that, considering the number of Passengers who are desirous of going from hence to Europe, I shall not be able to get any Accommodation aboard of an English Ship which moreover sailing so late will be liable to risques I don't think proper to run.

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ALL these Considerations I say, determine me to take my Passage upon the French Ship now ready to sail from Pondicherry, to which Place I desire you will permit me to repair directly, I don't imagine it can be necessary, Honourable Sir & Sirs to urge to you that the Law of Nations is held as a sacred Law amongst all People, 'tis on that I ground my request,'tis now six Months since you admitted of my resignation and appointed another Captain in my Stead, whereupon I demanded the Protection of the English Flag as a Stranger and Inhabitant, only, of Madrass, where I dont think any one has a right to keep me by Force, especially as such plausible reasons determine me to quit it. The two Nations are not at War, and since an English Major by name Mr. Commins took the same steps some Years ago and that I do now; I should think that I who am a Stranger free from any Service may well do the same, the rather as my Affairs require me in England, I must go there as soon as possible which I intend to do from the first French Port in Europe, where a Conveyance may offer.

All these Reasons, & the Confidence I repose in your Equity, Hon'ble Sir & Sirs, leave me no room to doubt of the Liberty resulting from it, to me.

I have the Honour to be with respect

HON'BLE SIR & SIRS

Yr. most humble and most Obedient Servant

CHABBERT.

(DIRECTED)

TO THE HON'BLE MR. THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.
GOVR. & THE GENTN. OF THE SUPERIOUR COUNCIL OF
FORT ST. GEORGE AT MADRASS.

THE Proceedings of a Court of Enquiry held at Fort St. George Janry. 17th 1753 to examine the Depositions regarding the Liberties. Lieutt. Demare is said to have taken with Captain De Gingins's Character, being inclos'd to Majr. Lawrence by Governor Saunders desiring the opinion of the Officers in Camp on it. A Court of the said Officers are assembled at Trivady Janry. 24th. 1753, accordingly

STRINGER LAWRENCE ESQR: PRESIDENT.

Members

Captt. Donald Cambbell.	Captt. James Kilpatrick.
Captt. James Chace.	Captt. Geo: Fred: Gaupp.
Captt. Daniel Pepper.	Captt. Charles Campbell.
Liuett. Alexr. Kirk.	Lieutt. Fred: Gurtler.
Lieutt. John Kemp.	Lieutt. Henry Monichon.
Lieutt. Edward Davies.	Lieutt. Sampson Morrice.
Lieutt. Benjn. Godwin.	Lieutt. Robert Revell.
Ensign Martin Harrison.	Ensign John Cudmore.
Ensign Philip Sullin.	Ensign Christian Fischer.

The Proceedings with the several Letters & Depositions being read to the Court, & the Opinion asked whether it appears that Lieutt. John De Mare has aspersed the Character of Captt. Rodolph De Gingins the Court is unanimous of opinion that he did; and being asked whether an Officer capable of such a Behaviour towards another ought to Continue in the Service; The unanimous Voice is that he ought not.

STRINGER LAWRENCE.

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Accot. Sale of damag'd & Torn Baftaes * sold at Publick Outcry on Account of the Hon'ble Company Vizt.

Time of Sale.	Quality.		Lott or Quantity.	Price sold at Pags.	Amot. of each Lott. Pags.			To Whom sold.
Feby. 1st 1753.	Baftaes.		2 Corge.	21 ℔ corge.	42			Chinatomby
		Damag'd.	2 Do.	20¼	40	18	—	Madapah
			2 Do.	20⅛	40	9	—	Narang
			1 Do.	21½	21	18	—	Bashadinga
			1 Do.	21¾	21	27	—	Armagon
			1 Do.	21½	21	18	—	Coja Shameir
			1 Do.	21	21	—	—	Do.
			1 Do.	21	21	—	—	Do.
			1 Do.	21¼	21	9	—	Vencatachilum
			1 Do.	21¾	21	27	—	Coja Shameir
			1 Do.	21½	21	18	—	Sunca Ramah
			1 Do. & 15 p's.	21¾	38	2	20	Simon
			2 Corge.	12¾	25	18	—	Comrapah
			2 Do.	11½	23	—	—	Coja Shameir
			2 Do.	11¾	23	18	—	Narang
			2 Do.	11¾	23	18	—	Coja Shameir
			2 Do.	11½	23	—	—	Sunca Ramah
			2 Do.	11½	23	—	—	Coja Shameir
			2 Do,	11½	23	—	—	Do.
			2 Do.	11¼	22	18	—	Comrapah
			2 Do.	11¼	22	18	—	Sunca Ramah
		Torn.	2 Do.	11¼	22	18	—	Coja Shameir
			2 Do.	11¼	22	18	—	Vencatachilum
			2 Do.	11¼	22	18	—	Coja Shameir
			2 Do.	11¼	22	18	—	Do.
			2 Do.	11¼	22	18	—	Comrapah
			2 Do.	11¼	22	18	—	Coja Shameir
				Pags. ..	676	20	20	

Errors Excepted
℔ Chs. Boddam
Expo. W. H. Kr.

To the Honble Thomas Saunders Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council of Fort St George

Honble Sir & Sirs

In Consequence of an Order pass'd in Consultation the 6th. November for surveying & Estimating the Damage sustain'd by the Storm which happen'd the 31st. October to the 1st. November, I take the Liberty to report that damage & lay the following Estimate of it before you Vizt.

The Fort House and its Offices having suffer'd in its Doors Window Frames, and Shuttters considerably, Several of them having been blown out and entirely demolished, the Chunam wash'd away from the Walls in several Places Estimated at	460	—	—
The Silver Mint having receiv'd great Damage in its Sheds, Window Frames and Shutters Estimated at ..	110	—	—
The Town Gates having been forced by the Violence of the Wind, their Bolts started, and Barrs bent, and the Carpenters Work much damag'd the West Barrier, & its Walls blown down, its Iron works broke, & the Causeway wash'd away considerably, the Whole Estimated at ...	220	—	—
Carrried over ..	790	—	—

* (Derived from the Persian word *baftan* meaning to weave.) A cotton cloth, loom woven.

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Brought Over ..	790	—	—
THE SORTING CLOTH GODOWN, all the Window Shutters, Rattan Windows, & several Window Frames blown into the Streets, & to Pieces, the Plaistering in several Places, & a Varanda blown down, the whole Estimated at	180	—	—
THE MAJORS LODGINGS have suffer'd much in the Doors, & Windows, and part of the West Front, entirely split in two from Top to Bottom by the soaking of the Rains into the Walls, Built only in Brick & Clay, with the Roof of the Godowns entirely demolished, Estimated at ..	190	—	—
THE MILITARY BARRACKS have suffer'd in the Tarras by the violence of the Wind, the Beams having sunk in several Places, several Window Shutters having been blown to Pieces, and the Sheds for cooking almost demolish'd Estimated at	80	—	—
THE OFFICERS LODGINGS have suffer'd in their Windows and Doors Estimated at	20	—	—
THE FORT & PETTAH HOSPITALS have suffer'd very much the former in its Window Shutters & Tarras, and the latter in its roofing Four hundred Foot of Walls wash'd & blown down a Shed a hundred Foot long demolish'd, most of the Window Shutters and doors entirely broke to Pieces, the whole estimated at	420	—	—
THE GARDEN FOWL GODOWN entirely demolished, Estimated at	150	—	—
THE PEONS CHOULTRYS round the bounds have been mostly shaken in their Roofing & uncover'd, & several in their Brick Work the whole Estimated at	110	—	—
TRIPLICANE BRIDGE has receiv'd much damage in the new Work in hand, the Loss of Materials included Estimated at	320	—	—
THE COFFREYS BARRACKS three hundred foot of Walls wash'd away and blown down with a hundred foot of Sheds entirely demolish'd, and Loss of Materials blown into the River estimated at	350	—	—
THE UNDER PAYMASTERS HOUSE has sufferd in its Window Shutters, and the roofing of the Godowns &c^{a}. Estimated at	40	—	—
THE ISLAND having been Cut by the Waters in several Places its damage estimated at	500	—	—
THE HOUSE OF M^{RS}. MEDEIROS, occupied by the Hon'ble Presid^{t}. having receiv'd great damage by all the Window Shutters, and Rattan Sashes being blown to Pieces, the Rails of the Yard, and Part of the Balustrades of the House blown down and most of the Offices greatly damagd in their Doors & Windows and Roofs estimated at ..	340	—	—
A CONFISCATED HOUSE in S^{t}. Thomas's Street late M^{r}. Carvalho's a Stack of chimneys fallen down, a Tarras sunk by it & some part of the House crack'd & settled, to secure which, & prevent the Town from being open in that Part, a Buttrass must be built there with other trifling estimated at	80	—	—
THE REDOUBT AT S^{T}. THOME' having had its roof much shaken, and several Parts of it requiring to be made new, Estimated at	200	—	—
THE FLAGSTAFF of the Fort Blown away, estimated at ..	15	—	—
A CURTAIN entirely fallen down Estimated at	450	—	—
Carried Over ..	4,235	—	—

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			Brought Over ..	4,235 — —
THE PAVEMENT OF THE RAMPART of the North Curtain having sunk, will require to be taken up and laid again, & the Chunam washed off the Parapets estimated at ..				80 — —
THE REVETMENT of the Ditch before the East Curtain having been broke down by the Sea in several Places, and the Sand wash'd up against the Town wall, which has also suffer'd by it, I take the Liberty to acquaint you that as the Sea has apparently gained within these few Years, it will soon endanger the East Curtain if not timely prevented, by building a strong & substantial Revetment to this Ditch, as low as the Barr, against which the surf may throw up the Sand, and thereby secure the Curtain, which otherwise would bring down in its ruins, All the Buildings contiguous to it, and put the Honourable Company to a prodigious Expence to repair such Damage; In consequence of which I have hereunder layed down an Estimate of the Expence this work, may amount to when Carried on Viz^{t}.					
Being 2100 foot long, 22 foot high 8 foot at the foundation and 4 foot at Top Estimated as follows.				
Pulling down the remains of the old Revetment.	Pag^{s}.	300	— —	
Clearing for the foundation of the new one 11550 Rods @ 3 ..		962	18 —	
50 Lack of Bricks		3750	— —	
Oxen Hire		1527	28 —	
85,000 Parahs of Chunam		5666	24 —	
85,000 D^{o}. of Sand		787	— —	
85 candys of Jaggry		637	18 —	
Workmanship		5555	20 —	
Potts, Pans, and Scaffolding ..		400	— —	
				19587 — —
			Pagodas ..	23902 — —

FORT ST. GEORGE
FEBY. 5TH 1753.

I am
with Profound Respect
HON'BLE SIR & SIRS
Your Most Obedient & most humble Servant
J. BROHIER.

Fort St. George, January 1753

	The Hon'ble United Companys Cash.			Dr.		
1	To Ballance brought from last Months Account Pags.			18,262	11	53
3	To Henry Powney Import Warehousekr. receiv'd of him on Account of Rupees sold..			7,894	26	42
8	To Henry Powney Impo. Wareho.kr. rec'd of him on accot. of Rupees sold			7,894	26	42
22	To Do. Do. Do. receiv'd of him on Accot. of Do.			15,789	17	4
—	To Confiscated Houses receiv'd rent of the following Vizt.					
	For 9 Months of one in Choultry Gate Street ending the 31st. Ulto. (allowing 11 days for the Alteration of the Stile) inhabited by Messrs. Munro & Turing @ Pags. 10 ℔ Month .. Pags.	86	10 —			
	For 8 Months of one in Charles Street ending the 31st. Ulto. (allowing 11 days for the Alteration in the Stile) inhabited by Messrs. Orms & Brohier.	76	10 —			
	For 9 Months of one in Choultry Gate Street, ending the 31st. Ulto. (allowing 11 days for the Alteration in the Stile) inhabited by Coja Miguel De Gregorio	86	10 —			
				248	30	—
29	To Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master, receiv'd the Ballance of that Account for last Month. .. .. Mss. Ps.			33	—	—
—	To Charles Boddam Import Wareho.kr. receiv'd of him the Ballance of that Account for last Month			3,912	11	47
—	To Charles Boddam Export Wareho.kr. receiv'd of him in part of the Ballance of that Account for last Month			4,000	—	—
	Carried Over ..			58,035	15	28

	Per Contra.			Cr.		
1	By Charles Boddam Paymr. advanc'd him for Disbursements			4500	—	—
—	By John Smith Military Paymaster advanc'd him to pay the Military			5315	28	34
3	By Accot. Currt. London, paid the Protestant Missionarys as ℔ Resolution of Consultation of the 6th. November			500	—	—
—	By Alexr. Wynch Storekr. advanc'd him for Disbursements			500	—	—
8	By Charles Boddam Commissary advanc'd him for the Expences of the Troops abroad ..			7894	26	42
15	By Fort St. David paid the amount of a Bill of Excha. drawn by the Depy. Govr. & Council in favour of Mr. Henry Powney dated the 3d. Instt. for so much paid into the Honourable Companys Cash there—Arcot Rupees 15000 @ 380 ℔ %			3947	13	21
22	By Fort Marlborough paid the amount of a Certificate from the Gentn. there, to Mr. John Massey for Dolls. 450, deposited into the Hon'ble Companys Cash @ 15$ for 10 Pags. payable to Mr. Robert Turing			300	—	—
—	By Alexr. Wynch Storekr. advanc'd him for the Charges of that Employ			263	5	55
—	By Charles Boddam Commisssary advanc'd him to defray the Charges of the Troops abroad			15789	17	4
—	By Charless Boddam Paymr. advanc'd him for Disbursements			263	5	55
29	By Alexr. Wynch Storekr. advanc'd him for Disbursements			328	34	8
—	By Alexr. Wynch Military Storkr. advd. him for Disbursements			1250	—	—
—	By Fort St. David paid the amount of a Bill of Excha. drawn by the Depy. Govr. & Council in favour of Mr. Andrew Munro dated the 28th. July last, for so much paid into the Honble Companys Cash there Vizt.					
	Principal Pags.	4000	— —			
	Carried Over ..	4000	— —	40,852	22	59

THE HON'BLE UNITED COMPANYS CASH—*cont.*		DR.		
	Brought Over ..	58,035	15	28
29	To Charles Boddam Military Paym . receiv'd of him the Ballance of that Account for last Month	257	33	23
—	To Henry Powney Sea Customer receiv'd of him the Ballce. of that account for last Month	2,520	21	46
—	To John Smith Land Customer receiv'd of him the Ballance of that Account for last Month.	390	6	8
—	To Town Duty, receiv'd as ℔ Consultation of this date the nett Produce of the Town Conicoplies duty collected at the Sea Gate & Choultry for the Year, endg. 31st. Ulto. By the Sea Customer Pags. 483 24 75 Land Customer .. 56 23 54	540	12	49
29	To Rents & Revenues receiv'd as ℔ Consultation of this date the nett Produce of the Weighing Duty collected at the Sea Gate & Choultry from Primo January to Ulto. May, at which time the Cowle was relet, Vizt. By the Sea Customer Pags. 108 1 20 Land Customer .. 14 34 6	122	35	26
—	To Linga Chittee, & Permal Kellava Chittee, Beetle and Tobacco Farmers receiv'd two months rent due the 1st. Instt.	1333	12	—
—	To Pitloor Vencata Kistnah & Permal Kellava Chittee, Farmers of the Arrack & Wine Licence receiv'd two months rent due the 1st. Instt.	666	24	—
—	To Mootia Farmer of the Banksall Duties receiv'd six Months rent of that Farm due the 1st. December last	200	—	—
—	To Henry Powney Impo. Wareho.kr. rec'd. of him on his running accot.	11000	—	—
	Currt. Pags. ..	75067	16	20

PER CONTRA				CR.		
	Brought Over ..	4,000	— —	40,852	22	59
	Interest thereon from the the 8th. of Augt. to this day is Mo. 5 days. 12 (allowing 11 days for the Alteration of Stile) @ 8 ℔ Ct. ℔ annum	144	— —	4144	—	—
29	By Thoms Saunders Esqr. Mint Master paid him the Ballance of that Account for last Month			407	35	15
—	By Madrass Pagodas for the Mint December Ballance			33	—	—
—	By Madrass Pagodas paid for			2000	—	—
—	By Batta on 2000 Madrass Pagodas @ 9¼ ℔ Ct.			185	—	—
—	By Madrass Pagodas paid for			3200	—	—
—	By Batta on 3200 Madrass @ 8¾ ℔ Ct. ..			280	—	—
				51102	21	74
31 s.	By Ballance carried to next Months Account.			23964	30	26
	Currt: Pags. ..			75067	16	20

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FORT ST. GEORGE, JANUARY 1753

PER CONTRA.

	MADRASS PAGODAS.	DR.			CR.		
1	To Ballance brought from last Months Account	4,772	—	—			
29	To the Hon'ble United Companys Cash for the Mint December Ballance	33	—	—			
—	To the Hon'ble United Companys Cash for ..	2,000	—	—			
—	To the Hon'ble United Companys Cash for ..	3,200	—	—	31st. By Ballance carried to next Months account ..	10,005	— —
		10,005	—	—		10,005	— —

ERRORS EXCEPTED
℔ THOS: SAUNDERS.

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6th. Arriv'd the Charles Schooner, Thomas Cooper from Fort St. David.

7th. Sail'd Do. for Fort St. David.

— Arriv'd the Hon'ble Companys Ship Adml. Vernon Edmund Cooke, from Bengal, with a Genl. Letter from the Presidt. & Council dated 14th. Ultº. also a Letter from Mr. William Summer at Ingellee dated 18th. Ultº.

— Receiv'd by Peons Genl. Letter from Fort St. David dated 4th. Instt.

— Arriv'd Snow Neptune, Andrew Karr, from Pegue & Nicobar.

8th. Arriv'd Ship Yorkshire Grey, Fogg Jenkins, from Bengal.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY THE 8TH.

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR: GOVR: PRESIDT:
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXR: WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.

Last Consultation read and sign'd.

Genl. Letters read Vizt. from Bengal.

Generall Letters read Vizt.

Nº. 20 From the President & Council at Bengal dated 14th. Ultº, advising that they consign us the Adml. Vernon to fill up, & in a few days will dispatch to us the Chesterfield half loaden, & the Bombay Castle very Shortly to take in the surplus Pepper at the Westcoast, that the Swiss Soldiers of Captt. Poliers Company, deserting daily to the French, which they have no means of preventing, they propose sending them up to us on the Godolphin which Ship they shall send hither very shortly with a Cargo of Grain for the Companys Account.

Ingellee.

Nº. 21 From Mr. William Sumner dated at Ingellee the 18th. Ultº. serving to enclose the necessary Papers on dispatching the Adml. Vernon from thence, & acquainting us that he has protested against Captt. Cooke for a deficiency of nine Guns of that Ships Compliment.

Fort St. David.

Nº. 22 From the Deputy Govr. & Council of Fort St David dated 4th. Instant, enclosing their Consultations, & other usual Papers, desiring a speedy supply of Cash, & advising that they have sent hither on the Mary, two Europeans, four Coffreys [1], & one Topas [2], who have been condemned there to be transported to the West Coast, That the Factory House at Porto Novo being much out of repair, they desire our Directions thereon, That Captt. Dominicus &cª. are sail'd in the Dragon Sloop for Galeé; That their Indent for Broad Cloth tho' it might appear large, was yet no more than their Occasions require requesting therefore that it may be complied with, advising also that they have drawn on us for our four thousand (4000) Arcot Rupees payable to Captt. George Gardiner or order, Value receiv'd into the Hon'ble Compys. Cash of Mr. Tyso Saul Hancock.

Bill of Exchª. from Fort St. David order'd to be accepted & paid.

The said Bill of Exchange being now presented to the Board, ORDERED that it be accepted and paid when due.

Captt. Cooke requests to be dispatch'd from hence directly

Letter from Captt. Edmund Cooke Commander of the Ship Adml. Vernon read (as enter'd hereafter) desiring to be dispatch'd directly from hence, as his Ship is now on her fourth Voyage, & not so able to beat the Seas as otherwise she might be, and his being sent to St. David may make his Passage precarious,

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1 *Coffree*, a negro of Madagascar or South Africa. The word is derived from Arabic, *Kafir*, an infidel—VESTIGES OF OLD MADRAS by Col.Love, Vol. II, page 63.

2 An Indo-Portuguese, employed as soldier by the Company.

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not Granted. Order'd to St. David.

AGREED that for the reasons mention'd in the General Letter to the Deputy Govr. and Council of Fort St. David, minuted in last Consultation the said request cannot be complied with, but that the Captain be orderd to proceed thither to Compleat his Tonnage, and that a General Letter be wrote to the Gentlemen there advising them Vizt.

the Gentn. there to be wrote to.

That we send them the Admiral Vernon to fill up at that Settlement with Bales, that we consign to them on her two hundred thousand (200,000) Rupees to answer their present occasions, that we inclose them sundry Papers & the necessary Instructions for their proceeding in the said Ships Dispatch; that as to the repairs of the Factory House at Porto Novo we can give no directions about it, untill we see an estimate of the Charge which they omitted to send us; that by the next Conveyance we shall send them a supply of Lead, & what Broad Cloth, we can spare, that we approve of sending hither the Malefactors they mention.

Capt. Chabberts Protest read.

Letter from Captt. John Chabbert read, (Translate whereof is enter'd hereafter) wherein he declares that being refus'd the Liberty of taking his Passage home on a French Ship he considers himself as a Prisoner, & therefore protests against the President & Council for the violation of his Liberty and unjust Detention.

answer thereto approv'd.

And Draught of a Letter in answer thereto being now read & approv'd (as enter'd hereafter) ORDERED that the Secretary do sign & send the same to Captt. Chabbert together with the Permit therein mention'd to embark on board the Admiral Vernon.

State of the Mint Customs for the Year 1752 compar'd with 1751.

The President lays before the Board (as enter'd hereafter) an account of the produce of the Mint Customs for the last Year, ending 31st. Decr. shewing a difference in their Produce of (455) four hundred & fifty five, Mss. Pagodas, & Three hundred ninety three Current Pagodas, & five fanams (393. 5. –) less than in the Year 1751 owing to a considerable Quantity of the Treasure, sent to Bengal, not being coin'd here as usual, and a less Quantity of Gold brought into the Mint to be coin'd into Mss. Pagodas.

Fort Marlbrough Certificate. Order'd to be discharg'd.

A Certificate from the Depy. Govr. & Council of Fort Marlborough for six thousand Dollars or four thousand Pagodas payable to Mr. Thos. Combes, value receiv'd of him there into the Hon'ble Companys Cash being tender'd to the Board, Order'd that it be discharg'd, the same being duely advised of.

Cash advan'd the Rental Genl. & Scavinger.

AGREED that two hundred (200) Pagodas be advanc'd the Rental Genl. & Scavinger for the Charges of that Employ.

A Letter from Mr. James Bourchier desiring leave to go to Bombay, the same Complied with.

A Letter from Mr. James Bourchier read, (as Enterd hereafter) setting forth that he has some affairs at Bombay of very material consequence to him which require his Presence there, & therefore desires he may have leave of absence, in order to proceed thither, by a Ship now in the Road, bound that way, AGREED that the same be complied with.

THOS: SAUNDERS.
CHAS: BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR: WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.

TO THE HON'BLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDT. & GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HON'BLE SIR & SIRS

Having had the misfortune of being ashore in my Passage out, and the Ship Admll. Vernon now on her fourth Voyage, and cannot be suppos'd to be

so strong & able to beat the Seas as otherwise She would; I therefore request the favour your Honours will take my Case into Consideration, & give me a quick Dispatch directly from this Place, which will be the most certain means of gaining my Passage round the Cape, before the Westerly Winds sett too strong in,

I am

HON'BLE SIR & SIRS

Your most Obed^{t}. & most humble Servant,

EDM^{D}: COOKE.

FORT S^{T}: GEORGE

FEB^{RY}. 8TH 1753.

HON'BLE SIR & SIRS

I have receiv'd the Letter M^{r}. Bourchier Your secretary wrote me the 5th. Instant by your Direction in answer to those I had the Honour of addressing to you, one dated the 3^{d}. & the other the 5th. Instant.

I cannot but be extremely surpriz'd at your direct opposition to my taking my Passage for Europe on any Foreign Ship, and the more so as the Hon'ble M^{r}. Thomas Saunders, to whom I had the honour of mentioning this Affair about twenty days ago, did not then hint to me any such opposition, he only told me that he thought it would be better for me to go in an English Ship, but that however if he heard no news from Bengal in seven or eight days, he would himself assist me in procuring my Passage in the French Ship, which was to sail from Pondicherry; 'Twas in consequence of this discourse of the Hon'ble M^{r}. Tho^{s}. Saunders that (ten days afterwards finding no Ship or News arrive from Bengal) I desir'd leave at Pondicherry to take Passage on the Ship which is to sail from thence the 10th. of this Month, which bieng granted me I prepar'd and dispos'd every thing to go there. Notwithstanding this, Your Hon'ble Council have signified to me by M^{r}. Bourchiers said Letter wrote by your Direction, that I must go in an English Ship, and that you will not Consent to my taking Passage on any other, for no other reason than that it is contrary to y^{e}. Custom in the Hon'ble Companys Settlements, I could quote you Hon'ble Sir & Sirs, the examples of a Captain Commandant at Bengal, who went to Europe, some Years ago on a Dutch Ship, of young Huguonin who went in a Danish Ship & perhaps many others which have not come to my knowledge; I could tell you further that such a Custom cannot constitute a Law, nor oblige any one to submit to it; But you are invested with power, and you think proper to violate in me the law of Nations, & of publick Liberty, in detaining me Contrary to my Inclination that I may be oblig'd to embark on the Ships you expect from Bengal; This, Honble Sir & Sirs, is enough, I ought, & actually do consider myself as a Prisoner, and entirely disappointed in my Affairs, ever since Your Secretarys Letter by your direction was sent me, which being consider'd, and thinking that I have not deserv'd such Treatment from you, as well as that you have no right to deprive me of my Liberty, I beg you will permit me (Hon'ble Tho^{s}. Saunders Esq^{r}. Governour & President, also you M^{r}. Charles Boddam Esq^{r}. and Second also you M^{r}. Henry Powney Esq^{r}. also you M^{r}. Alex^{r}. Wynch Esq^{r}. & also you M^{r}. John Smith Esq^{r}.) to protest as I do solemnly against the direct & unjust Violation of my Liberty in detaining me at Madrass. Wherefore you will be answerable each for himself, or one for all.

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for all Charges Damages & interest which may arise therefrom, taking as Witnesses of this my Protest, to wit

Mr. Cornelius Goodwin
Capt. John Rodolph D Gingins
Capt. Robert Clive
Mr. Robert Orme.

} In whose Presence I have made my said Protest

to serve according to Law & as occasion may require.

I have the honour to be with respect
HON'BLE SIR & SIRS
Yr. Most humble & most Obedt. Servant
CHABBERT.

MADRAS
THE 7TH FEBRY. 1753

DIRECTED

TO THE HONBLE MR. THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVR. PRESIDT. &CA. & THE GENTLEMEN OF THE SUPERIOUR COUNCIL OF MADRASS AT FORT ST: GEORGE.

TO CAPT. JOHN CHABBERT.

SIR

The President & Council have orderd me to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 7th. Instt. wherein you Protest against them for the unjust violation of your Liberty in detaining you at Madrass, say you Consider yourself as a Prisoner, & entirely disappointed in your Affairs, since the Letter I wrote you by their direction the 5th. Instt. & that you think you have not deserv'd such Treatment from them, as well as that they have no right to deprive you of your Liberty. In reply to which I am also directed by them to acquaint you that altho' you have put their denying you Permission to take your Passage for Europe on a French Ship on so extraordinary a footing as being depriv'd of your Liberty and a Prisoner, They don't look upon you in that light, And as there is now one of the Hon'ble Companys Ships in the Road, bound for Europe, whereon you may be furnished with a Passage, (to which end, I send you herewith a Permit to the Commander to receive you on board with your Necessaries) they dont conceive that they can be accused of detaining you here, therefore esteem your Protest of no Validity, & as to your being of opinion that you have not deserv'd such Treatment they cannot avoid taking notice that after the Indulgence that has been shewn you in allowing you the Liberty of receiving a handsome Compensation from the Officer that succeeded you after the resignation of your Commission; Capt. Schaub, & his detachment of Swiss being detain'd at Pondicherry, and many of your Recruits having deserted thither, it carrys with it a very odd appearance that you should so much persist in going there.

I am
SIR
Yr. very obedt. Servant
CHS: BOURCHIER.
Secretary.

FORT ST GEORGE
9TH. OF FEBRY. 1753.

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To the Hon'ble Thomas Saunders Esq^{R}.
Presid^{T}. & Gov^{R}. &c^{A}. Council of Fort S^{T}. George.

Hon'ble Sir & Sirs

Having some Affairs at Bombay of very material Consequence to me, which renders my Presence there extreamly necessary, I am induced to trouble your Honour &c^{a}., to request you will indulge me with Your kind Permission to proceed thither on a Vessell bound that way, your Complyance with which will conferr a very particular Obligation on

Hon'ble Sir & Sirs,
Y^{r}. very Obed^{t}. humble Servant
Ja^{s}: Bourchier.

Fort S^{T}: George
8th. of Feb^{ry}. 1753.

Abstract of the Mint Customs for the years 1751 & 1752.

1751		MSS.	PAGS.	CT.	PS.	F.	C.
January	amounted to ..		48	—	14	75
	Ditto ..		—	231	29	40
February	Ditto ..		130	—	8	65
	Ditto ..		—	83	11	10
March	Ditto ..		227	—	15	—
	Ditto ..		—	234	26	50
April	Ditto ..		111	—	22	—
	Ditto ..		—	321	6	20
May	Ditto ..		92	—	28	50
	Ditto ..		—	37	24	55
Jun	Ditto ..		96	—	3	35
July	Ditto ..		192	—	24	10
August	Ditto ..		258	—	7	30
	Ditto ..		—	24	34	15
Septemr.	Ditto ..		16	—	18	55
	Ditto ..		—	235	2	30
October	Ditto ..		—	83	23	60
Novemr.	Ditto ..		18	—	18	70
	Ditto ..		—	7	2	40
Decemr.	Ditto ..		—	4	31	70
Mss: Pags: ..			1188	1268	31	30

1752		MSS.	PAGS.	CT.	PS.	F.	C.
January	amot. to ..		121	—	14	15
	Ditto ..		—	180	29	30
February	Ditto ..		28	—	25	45
	Ditto ..		—	64	19	5
March	Ditto ..		16	—	9	70
	Ditto ..		—	65	32	—
April	Ditto ..		29	—	26	10
	Ditto ..		—	483	4	—
May	Ditto ..		17	—	—	15
	Ditto ..		—	5	34	15
July	Ditto ..		120	1	11	30
August	Ditto ..		198	—	2	30
Septemr.	Ditto ..		52	—	29	10
October	Ditto ..		95	—	—	55
	Ditto ..		—	50	2	10
November	Ditto ..		22	—	11	70
	Ditto ..		—	12	19	35
Decemr.	Ditto ..		35	—	3	60
	Ditto ..		—	8	3	5
			733	875	26	30
Decreas'd this Year ..			455	393	5	—
Mss: Pags: ..			1188	1268	31	30

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11th Sail'd the Hon'ble Companys Ship Adm[l]. Vernon Cap[t]. Edm[d]. Cooke, for Fort S[t]. David, with a Gen[l]. Letter of this date.

— . Arriv'd Ship Mary, Edward Roach, from Fort S[t]. David.

12th Receiv'd by Peons from Fort S[t]. David, a Gen[l]. Letter dated the 10[th]. Inst[t].

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY THE 12TH. THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQ[R]: GOV[R]: PRESID[T]:
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEX[R]: WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.

Gen[l]. Letter from Fort St. David read.

Gen[l]. Letter N[o]. 23. From the Deputy Gov[r]. & Council of Fort S[t]. David, dated the 10[th]. Instant, advising that in consequence of what we wrote them of our Intentions to send them two Ships, to fill up for Europe, they have made an Estimate of the Bales that will be necessary for them which they compute to be about one thousand nine hundred (1900) & that will be the utmost they can have ready by the end of this Month, for altho' they have a sufficiency ready wash'd upwards of five hundred remain to go through the Beaters hands, & is as much as they can perform in that time therefore hope we shall not expect them to be ready for the last Ship sooner, but with regard to the first, they shall not fail to give her the most expeditious Dispatch. That the Colchester will be capable of proceeding herein seven or eight days, but for the reasons they have already alledg'd, they must omit sending any Bales by her, Cap[t]. Mainwaring has deliver'd one Bale short of Invoice, which he acquaints them was return'd ashore here, appearing damag'd, & the same was remark'd in his Officers Receipt, That they are inform'd the Colchester has on Board some Stores design'd for S[t]. Helena, & desire our Directions concerning them, requesting Six Corge of Wax Cloth which they shall be in much distress for, That the Lead & small Arms they indented for may be sent them by the first Opportunity as Major Lawrence expresses a great want of the latter, and acquainting us that they have drawn on us for Pagodas thirteen hund[d]. (1300) Payable to M[r]. John Smith.

Bill drawn from Fort St. David, accepted & order'd to be paid.

The foregoing Bill advised of from Fort S[t]. David being now presented to the Board the same is accepted, & Order'd to be paid when due.

Gen[l]. Letter to England to go by the Brill via Persia signd. Duplicate to be sent to Bengal ℔ Mary to be forwarded also Gen[l]. Letters to Bengal & to the Chief at Bussorah.

The Brill a Country Ship being bound to Persia, a Gen[l]. Letter to the Hon'ble Court of Directors to be forarded from thence containing a Summary Account of the present Situation of Affairs here, is now sign'd by the Board, with which it is agreed to send the seperate Gen[l]. Letter, intended to have gone by the Colchester, and the Mary being to sail to-morrow for Bengal where there is a great Probability of her arriving before the Departure from thence of the latter Ships for Europe, Duplicate Copies of the foregoing are order'd to be got ready to be forwarded by her, as are Gen[l]. Letters to the President & Council of Fort William, and the Chief at Bussorah to accompany them.

Mess[rs]. Walsh Vansittart request to pay money into cash here & to have Bills for the same on the Gent[n]. at Bengal. not granted.

A Letter from Mess[rs]. Walsh and Vansittart read, (as enter'd hereafter) requesting that as they have to the amount of about fifty thousand (50,000) Rupees to remit to Bengal, which they are not at Liberty to risk down, they may have Bills for the same on the President & Council of Fort William, As it may not be convenient to the Gentlemen there to answer such a Demand, & at the same time give room to others to make the like application to us. It's thought proper not to Comply with it

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The Yorkshire Grey a new Ship of about 300 Tons lately arriv'd from Pegue being offer'd to Sale for Ten thousand (10,000) Pagodas, as the Smallness of the Brilliant (together with the reasons we have to doubt of her Safety) renders it very necessary our Honble Masters should be furnish'd with such a one, both for supplying their Settlement at Fort Marlbro' with the usual Stores, & transporting their Bales from the Subordinates, and the Price put upon her being judged reasonable; AGREED to purchase her for their use, if upon survey she is found to answer the representation that has been Made us of her, & the Secretary is directed to desire Captains Burman, Bunyon and Sutherland, to go on Board her, to examine her And deliver us their report in Writing.

Ship Yorkshire Grey offer'd to sale, for (10,000) Pagodas. to be survey'd and reported & If in good order to be purchas'd for the Company.

The Accomptant delivers in a Copy of the Fort St. David, Genl. Books Letter A A Ballanc'd to the 30th. April last (at which time those of this Presidency for the year 1752 Commence) and they are now sign'd for England.

Genl. Books AA. sign'd for England.

He also delivers in (as enter'd hereafter) his annual Report of the Expences and Revenues of Fort St. David Presidency & its Subordinates for the Year Ending the 30th. April 1752 Compar'd with the former Year, wherein are remark'd the Causes of the Increase & Decrease under the several Heads.

Accomptants Annual Report, of Expences & Revenues read.

Two Letters from Mr. Robt. Clive of this date read (as enter'd hereafter) the first in regard to the Deficiencys in the Honble Companys Goods, Furniture, &ca. He was order'd to account for, inclosing a List of sundrys sent hither for the use of Mr. Prince when he came here as Deputy Govr. wherein many of the Articles said to be missing are specified, desiring to be referr'd to the St. David Consultations in regard to the Horses wherein it will be found that they were order'd to be sold at Outcry, & their Amount paid into the Companys Cash, Representing that as to the Tents, they were never under the Charge of the Steward but Storekr. One of which is now with Majr. Lawrence, & the other was lost in passing the Coleroon, when Lieutt. Pascall was Quarter Master; that at the time of the removal of the Presidency hither, & many of the Stores under his Charge, He was acting in a Military Capacity at Tritchenopoly, & could not possibly be attentive to what was doing at Fort St. David, which he hopes will induce us not to make him answerable for any Deficiencys that may have happen'd in his Absence, as they are to, but a small Value, and are Articles that have been in Constant use during the Time of his Stewardship; the Second sets forth that the great Share of Illness, he has labour'd under for nine Months, has reduced him to the necessity of applying to us for leave to return to England, otherwise he should think his Stay, as well as Assistance due to the Company having been so fortunate in their Service; The Board being very sensible of Mr. Clives unhappy Indisposition, AGREE that his Request to proceed to England be complied with, & the Secretary is directed to serve Capt. Cooke with a Permit to receive him with his necessaries on board the Adml. Vernon; that with regard to the Deficiencys in the Furniture &ca. an exact Account be taken of them & produc'd, to be made good by such Persons who were in actual Charge of them, that the Register of the Sea Gate, Mr. Charles Turner as was usual be appointed to the Care of what is remaining at this Settlement, and that what may be at St. David be put under the Care of one of the Junior Servants there.

Two Letters from Capt. Clive, relating to the deficiencys in sundrys under his Charge as steward read, & desiring leave to go to England.

Leave granted to go home.

Accot. of deficiencys to be taken & made good by those who have had Charge of them.

A Letter from Mr. Robt. Turing read (as Enter'd hereafter) representing that having long labour'd under such an indifferent State of Health, as in his own & the other Surgeons Opinion cannot admit of any relief so speedily & effectually as by the sea air & Change of Climate, he desires leave to be absent for that Purpose, and as soon as his Present Complaint will allow, will return to his Duty; AGREED that his request be complied with, as his Continuance here under such Circumstances will be of very little Service to the Publick.

Mr. Turing desires leave of absence for the benefit of his health. Granted.

Petition of Linga Chittee Farmer of the Honble Companys Paddy Fields & Salt Pans, & Linga Chittee & Gruapah, Farmers of the Companys old Garden read. The first represents the great Detriment sustain'd by the late Storm,

Linga Chittee and Gruapah, pray an

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Allowance for damages sustaind, in their respective Farms, the late storm not Granted

& heavy Rains, upwards of a hundred Garce of salt having been wash'd away & a large number of Paddy Plants destroy'd; and the last sets forth that the said Garden has suffer'd the loss of above five hundred Trees, Wherefore they pray some Deduction may be allow'd them in the rents thereof, & the sum of Forty Pagodas given them both in consideration of the Loss of the said Trees, to enable them to replace them with others; the same being debated the Board think the Farmers no ways entitled to any such allowance particularly as by the Conditions of their cowles, they have the enjoyment of those Farms, as well with all advantages, as otherwise, & had they by a plentiful Season been considerable Gainers would hardly have consented to paying any additional Rent to the Company, agreed therefore that their request be not Complied with.

Bombay to be wrote to.

AGREED to take the opportunity of the Brills touching on the Malabar Coast to write to the Gentlemen at Bombay, to acquaint them with the advices receiv'd from Bengal, Regarding the disposal of our Honble Masters Shipping that we propose dispatching the Admˡ. Vernon, Chesterfield, & Godolphin from this Coast, & that the Revᵈ. Mʳ. Palk has made it his choice to fill the Vacancy of a Chaplain here.

Northern Settlements to be wrote to. (50,000) Rupees to be sent to Vizagapatam.

As the Vizagapatam Snow will sail from hence for Vizagapatam in a day or two, ORDER'D that Answers be sent to the several Genˡ. Letters lately receiv'd from the Northern Factorys, that the Badness of the Cloth receiv'd from Ingeram be remark'd to the Resident there And that the fifty thousand (50,000) Rupees agreed to be sent on the Cuddalore Sloop, for Vizagapatam be now forwarded by this Vessell.

Six Setts of Bills of Exchange on the Company sign'd.

Six Setts of Bills of Exchange of this Date sign'd, drawn on the Court of Directors at 90 days Sight, & seven Shillings & Eight pence ℔ Pagoda Vizᵗ.

FOR COMPANYS SERVANTS &CA.

		£.	S.	D.		Ps.	F.	C.
1	Sett To William Wood, & Chˢ. Lucas, or Order, Value of Henry Powney	970	3	8		2533	18	52
1	To Heron Powney or order, Value of Henry Powney ..	425	10	4		1110	1	48
1	To John Le Gross, or order, Value of John Brohier ..	80	—	—		208	25	3
1	To Thoˢ. Bland or order, Value of Henry Vansittart, on accoᵗ of John Pybus ..	40	—	—		104	12	41
1	To Francis Magnus or order Value of Henry Van Sittart, on accoᵗ. of John Pybus ..	30	—	—		78	9	31
1	To Charles & Elizabeth Lucas or order Value of Henry Powney	163	3	—		425	21	64
6	Setts amounting to	£1708	17	—	or	4460	16	79

Seventeen hundred & Eight Pounds seventeen Shillings or four thousand, four hundred, & sixty Pagodas sixteen fanams, & seventy nine Cash which sum is now paid in.

1 sett of Certificates.

One sett of Certificates of this date sign'd for one hundred Eighty four Pagodas, eight fanams, forty one Cash (184. 8. 41) now paid into Cash by Mʳ. John Brohier upon oath, that the same is on account the Estate of Mʳ. Philip Glass Deceased

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The Secretary pays into Cash the sum of thirty (30) Pagodas, for Capt. Chabberts Permission of Passage to England on the Admiral Vernon. Permission money for Capt. Chabbert's Passage to England.

The Import Warehousekr. now pays into Cash, the sum of thirty nine thousand, & sixty three Pagodas five fanams & fifty five Cash (39063. 5. 55) on account of Rupees sold. Money paid in for Rupees sold.

The Companys Merchants having brought in Cloth, to the amount of their several Ballances, and requesting to be advanced, the same is Complied with, as follows Vizt, To Tellesinga Chittee &ca. Merchants seven thousand (7000) Pagodas To Sunca Vencata Ramah & Ambaltaudy Chittee, seven thousand (7000) Pagodas. Advances to the Merchants vizt, Tellesinga Chittee, Sunca Vencata Ramah &ca.

To Gundaveddy Vencata Ramah & Nella Chittee, seven thousand (7000) Pagodas. Gundaveddy Vencata Ramah &ca.

To Tonnapah &ca. Painters, five thousand (5000) Pagodas. Tonnapah &ca. Painters

AGREED that the sum of six hundred, fifty seven Pagodas, thirty two Fanams, & sixteen Cash (657. 32. 16.) be advanc'd the Storekeeper for Disbursements. Storekr. advanc'd.

THOS: SAUNDERS.
CHAS: BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR: WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.

PRESIDT. & GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST: GEORGE

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Having occasion to remit money to Bengal, to the amount of about 50,000 A.Rs. and not being at Liberty to risque it down, We request the favour of Your Honr. &ca., to furnish us with Bills for the same on the Govr. & Council of FORT WILLIAM.

We are with respect
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Yr. most Obedt. Humble Servants

JOHN WALSH.
HENRY VANSITTART.

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10TH. FEBRY. 1753.

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To the Hon̄ble Thomas Saunders Esq^r^.

Presid^t^. & Gov^r^. &c^a^. Council of Fort S^t^: George

Hon̄ble Sir & Sirs

Having long labour'd under such an indifferent State of Health as in my own & the other Surgeons opinion cannot admit of any relief so speedy & effectual as by the Sea Air, & a Change of Climate. I humbly request your Honour &c^a^. will please to grant me leave to be absent for that Purpose, which, I shall gratefully acknowledge, & return to my Duty as soon as my present Complaint will permit.

I am
Hon'ble Sir & Sirs
Yr. Most Obed^t^. Servant
Rob^t^: Turing.

Fort St. George
11^th^. Feb^ry^. 1753.

To the Honourable Thomas Saunders Esq^r^.

President & Governour &c^a^. Council of Fort S^t^: George

Hon̄ble Sir & Sirs

According to a standing order from the Hon̄ble Court of Directors, I now lay before you a State of the Expences & Revenues of this Settlement, & its Subordinates, on this Coast, for the last Year Compar'd with those of the Former, by which your Hon^r^. &c^a^. may Judge of the proper Directions to be given in Relation Thereto.

Expences of Fort St. George.

	April 1751.			April 1752.			Increase.			Decrease.		
Charges Garrison	21066	29	40	18778	1	66	—	—	—	2288	27	54
Charges Diet	2424	—	—	2503	16	64	79	16	64			
Charges Cattle	600	—	—	600	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Charges Hospital	1617	23	47	2549	15	56	931	28	9			
Charges Extraordy.	13531	18	7	3772	26	15	—	—	—	9758	27	72
Repairs	1178	27	41	1563	16	50	384	25	9			
Accot: Presents	293	23	57	278	12	—	—	—	-	15	14	57
Accot: Salary	817	14	76	678	12	70	—	—	—	139	13	6
Charges General	16326	7	21	18969	35	63	2643	28	42			
The Annual Expence	57856	3	49	49693	18	64	4039	26	44	12202	11	29
Deduct the Increase from the Decrease										4039	26	44
The Expences of this Settlement are decreas'd this Year												8162	20	65

Expences of Fort St. David.

	April 1751.			April 1752.			Increase.			Decrease.		
Charges Garrison	104179	16	50	103305	4	35				874	12	15
Charges Extraordy	10256	21	66	10943	19	69	686	34	3			
Charges Hospital	2112	19	41	2331	4	22	218	20	61			
Accot: Presents	2702	34	—	712	35	28				1989	34	52
Peons & Servts: Wages	8410	29	—	6460	4	—				1950	25	—
Repairs	2715	14	77	2007	33	5				707	17	72
Charges Cattle	800	—	—	850	—	—	50	—	—			
Charges Diet	7000	—	—	7198	—	—	198	—	—			
Accot: Salary	3513	3	60	3555	6	60	42	3	—			
Charges General	7672	1	9	8397	30	71	725	29	62			
	149362	32	63	145761	30	50	1921	15	46	5522	17	59
Deduct the Increase from the Decrease										1921	15	46
The Expences of this Settlement are decreased this Year												3601	2	13
Carried Over ..												11763	22	78

Expences of Vizagapatam.

	April 1751.			April 1752.			Increase.			Decrease.		
Charges Garrison	6601	14	30	5924	26	25				676	24	5
Charges General	3204	4	4	3381	20	27	177	16	23			
Charges Diet	425	12	—	393	30	—				31	18	—
Charges Extraordy	562	17	20	866	1	40	303	20	20			
Charges Hospital	53	6	—	54	18	—	1	12	—			
Repairs	516	35	71	272	7	40				244	28	31
Accot. Presents	755	30	25	943	12	—	187	17	55			
Accot. Salary	151	9	—	269	10	54	118	1	54			
Factors Provisions	70	—	—	116	19	66	46	19	66			
	12340	20	70	12222	2	12	834	15	58	952	34	36
Deduct the Increase from the Decrease										834	15	58
The Expences of this Settlement are decreased this Year												118	18	58
Brought Over ..												11763	22	78
Total Decrease this Year ..												11882	5	56

Expences of Ingeram.

	April 1751.			April 1752.			Increase.			Decrease.		
Accot. Presents	568	3	75	293	4	40				274	35	35
Charges Diet	304	—	—	319	12	—	15	12	—			
Charges Extraordy...	912	19	20	2896	19	74	1984	—	54			
Repairs	159	5	60	218	34	54	59	28	74			
Servants Wages	376	—	—	412	—	—	36	—	—			
Accot. Salary	94	23	5	137	27	—	43	3	75			
	2414	16	—	4277	26	8	2138	9	43	274	35	35
Deduct the Decrease from the Inc :							274	35	35			
The Expences of this Settlement are increas'd this Year												1863	10	8

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FORT S^{T}: GEORGE.

CHARGES DIET

Increas'd by the Arrival of Companys Servants from England.

CHARGES HOSPITAL

By the number of the Sick being greatly increas'd which made it absolutely necessary to provide more Hospital Cloathes.

REPAIRS

By the Extraordinary Repairs, the Works requir'd after the Monsoon.

CHARGES GENERAL

Increas'd by a larger Consumption of Garrison Stores &c^{a}. on the several Expeditions.

CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY

Increas'd by Gratuitys given the Wives of such Soldiers as were kill'd in Camp, & paying Pensioners doing duty in the Fort.

CHARGES HOSPITAL

Increas'd by there having been considerably more sick & Wounded Men in the Hospital this Year than the Preceeding.

CHARGES CATTLE

Increas'd by the Arrival of William Cockell Esq^{r}. as Dep^{y}. Gov^{r}.

CHARGES DIET

Increas'd by the Arival of W^{m}. Cockell Esq^{r}. as Deputy Governour.

ACCOUNT SALARY.

Increas'd by the Arrival of Several Covenanted Servants from England.

CHARGES GENERAL

Increas'd by the Extraordinary Charges attending the several Expeditions.

VIZAGAPATAM.

CHARGES GENERAL

For Stores expended, & Wrote off under that Head.

CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY

For 100 Gun peons taken into the Service.

ACCOUNT PRESENTS

By a larger made Vizaram Rauze than usual.

INGERAM.

CHARGES DIET

Increas'd by paying M^{r}. John Churchey as Provisional Chief in the Month of May.

CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY

Increas'd by paying Batta to the Military from Vizagapatam making an Intrenchment at Yella Coltippah, & sundry other Charges, attending the Retreat from the Factory in the Troubles.

REPAIRS

Increas'd by repairing the Damages done the Factory by the Moors.

SERVANTS WAGES

By Increasing the Braminys Monthly Pay.

ACCOUNT SALARY

Increas'd by the Arrival of M^{r}. Charles Hopkins.

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THE REVENUES of this Place and its Subordinates Viz^{t}.

Collected by the Sea Customer from 1st. May 1750 to 30th. April 1751	36873	34	36			
Ditto. do^{o}. 1st. May 1751 to 30th. April 1752	38402	6	68			
	Increas'd ..			1528	8	32
Collected by the Land Customer from 1st. May 1750 to 30th. April 1751	4384	21	76			
Ditto. .. .. do^{o}. .. 1st. May 1751 to 30th. April 1752	6776	32	22			
	Increas'd			2392	10	36
				3920	18	58 [sic]

FORT S^{T}. DAVID.

The Amount of their Revenues from 1st. May 1750 to 30th. April 1751	22393	20	64			
Ditto. from 1st. May 1751 to 30th. April 1752 ..	19075	16	42			
	Decreased			3318	4	22
TOTAL Increase in the Revenues .. Pag^{s}.				602	14	36

I am
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Humble Servant
HENRY POWNEY.
Accompt^{t}.

12TH. FEB^{RY}. 1763.
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TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT & GOV^{R}. &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}: GEORGE

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Having receiv'd a Letter from the Secretary notifying that it is your Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. Orders I should account for the deficiency of Goods, Furniture &c^{a}. appearing by the Storekeepers Books of Fort S^{t}. David; I take the Liberty to enclose you a list of sundrys, sent to Madrass for the use of Richard Prince Esq^{r}. the then Dep^{y}. Gov^{r}. by which it will appear that Major Part of the Things thought to be deficient are accounted for. In regard to the Cattle I must referr your Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. to the Fort S^{t}. David Consultations wherein you will find the Horses were put up at Publick Outcry, & their Amount paid into the Hon'ble Companys Cash, as to the Tents, they were never under the Charge of the Steward but Storek^{r}. One large Tent is now with Major Lawrence at Trivady, the other was lost in passing the River Colderoon, when Lieut^{t}. Pasqual was Quarter Master, I must likewise represent to your Honour &c^{a}. that at the Time Madrass was made the Presidency, & many of the Stores under my Charge remov'd to this Place. I was then acting in a Military Capacity at Tritchenopoly, & Could not possibly be attentive to what was doing at FORT S^{T}: DAVID, this Consideration will I flatter myself induce your Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. not to

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make me answerable for any Deficiency, that may have happen'd during my Absence, especially as what Articles may be wanting are but few, & of little Value, & have been in Constant use during the time of my Stewardship.

I am with great respect
HON'BLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obliged humble Servant
ROBT: CLIVE.

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TO THE HON'BLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDT. & GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST: GEORGE.

HON'BLE SIR & SIRS

I am much Concern'd my present Situation should be such as to lay me under the necessity of applying to your Honr. &ca. for leave to return to England; Your Honr. &ca. are well acquainted with how much Sickness, I have labour'd under for these Nine Months past, & the opinions of Doctors Munro & Turing upon the Subject: It is really want of health that obliges me to make this Request, otherwise I should think my Stay as well as Assistance in this Country due to the Hon'ble Company as I have been so very fortunate in their Service, I therefore desire Your Honr. &ca. will give me leave to take my Passage upon the Adml. Vernon, Capt. Cooke, and you will add to the Obligations of

HON'BLE SIR & SIRS,
Your most Obedt. humble Servant
ROBT: CLIVE.

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12TH FEBRY. 1763.

AN ACCOT: OF SUNDRYS Sent to FORT ST: GEORGE from the 1st. of May to the 30th. of November 1749. Vizt.

ACCOT: PLATE

	oz.	dwt.	Grs.			
1 Mounteth	79	15	—			
2 Salvers	12	12	—			
11 Spoons	16	—	—			
6 Tea Spoons	3	3	—			
1 Soop Spoon	6	12	—			
	117	2	—	89	6	55

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE

Copper Ware—

	lbs.					
3 Large Pots	75	—	—			
8 Small Do. Mr. Smith 4 Pots.	70	—	—			
2 Pans	26	—	—			
4 Peons Pots	36	—	—			
2 Syrrop Tauches	26	—	—			
2 Sauce Pans	4½	—	—			
2 Bandagers	7½	—	—			
2 Dripping & Frying Pans. ..	6	—	—			
lbs.	251	—	—	55	15	—

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HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE—*cont.*

Brass & Iron Ware

	Brought over ..			55	15	—	89	6 55
		lbs.						
1 Syrrop Tauche		13	—	—				
1 Tea Kettle		3	—	—				
1 Hoster & Chellinger		20	—	—				
	lbs.	36	—	—	9	—	—	
3 Spits 4 Stands 2 Gridirons, 1 Pole Ax, & 1 Chopping Knife					2	4	—	
3 Tables		19	15	60				
2 Dozen of Chairs		18	—	—				
1 Pallankeen with Silver Tossles		74	28	15				
13 Plain Pallenkeens with * Pingarees		408	25	20				
2 † Roundells		5	—	—				
					525	33	15	
							592	16 15
ACCOUNT CATELE								
Horses 68							9272	— —
					Pagodas ..		9953	22 70

FORT ST: DAVID ERRORS EXCEPTED
NOVR. 30TH. 1749. P ROBT: CLIVE.

12 Sail'd Ship Brill, David Robertson for Bussorah with Genl. Letters to the Presidt. & Council of Bombay, and to Mr. Brabazon Ellis Residt. at Bussorah, enclosing a Packet to the Hon'ble Court of Directors, all dated this day.

13 Sail'd Ship Mary Edward Roach for Bengal, with a Genl. Letter for the Presidt. & Council there dated 12th. Instant.

14 Arriv'd Arcot Snow, Joseph Bond, from Covelong.

— Sail'd Snow Vizagapatam, Alexr. Kydd, for Vizagapatam with Genl. Letters for the Chief & Council there & for the Residents at Ingeram & Madapollam dated the 13th.

15 Arriv'd Snow Fanny, Thos. Browne from Bengal.

16 Arriv'd Ship Shirley Thos. Powney from Do.

— Sail'd Ship Alimadett, Tamya Syrang, for Vatada.

— Do. Ship Griffin, Joseph Howard for Bengal.

17 Arriv'd Sloop Fortune Nathl. Hammond from Fort St. David with two Genl. Letters from the Gentn. there, both datd. 6th. Inst.

— Receiv'd by Tappies Genl. Letter from Fort St. David dated the 14th. Instant.

— Sign'd & sent by Peons Genl. Letter to the Depy. Govr. & Council of Fort St. David, dated this day directing them after reserving a sufficient Quantity of Bales to fill up the Adml. Vernon to send us all the remainder by the Colchester, for that we are informd it will be very late in the Season, before the Chesterfield can be with us, and by dispatching her immediately from hence as well as the Godolphin, they will probably meet with less Detention; that in regard to the Bale

* Pingeree or cover—VESTIGES of OLD MADRAS by Col. H. D. Love Vol. III, page 259.
† Rounded is an umbralla formerly in use in Anglo-India—HOBSON JOBSON.

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deficient in the Colchesters Cargo our Export Warehousekr. says that 1545 were actually put on board that Ship, & the Captain must therefore account for it; That if as Captn. Mainwaring represents (tho we are not advised of it) the Stn. Helena Tonnage was put on board his Ship at Bengal it must be transferr'd to the Admln. Vernon if She has none, and by her the Bengal Packets intended by the Colchester must be forwarded, That we shall shortly send them the Lead & Small Arms; That Captn. Clive having been call'd upon to make good the Deficiency in Sundrys committed to his Charge, as Steward alledges as to the Salt Meat that part of it was sent with the Bombay Detachment, if so it must be wrote off to Charges Extraordinary, & the rest must be sold at Outcry. We have permitted several other Provisions quite perish'd to be wrote off, That we are inform'd the Copper said to be deficient stands near the Storehouse, if not Captn. Clive, Who will be at Stn. David in a few days, must make it good.

Arriv'd Charles Schooner, Thos. Cooper, from Fort Stn. David. 18

Sail'd Ketch Fiddle Dobie, Fogg Jenkins for Vizagapatam. —

Arriv'd Ship Dragon, Dugald Mc. Eacharn from Tavoy. 19

Do. Ship Saunders, John Heriot, from Vizagapatam. —

Do. Ship Compton Crote, Meeritstone, from Pondicherry. —

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR: GOVR: PRESIDT. — WEDNESDAY THE 21ST.
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXR: WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.

Last Consultation read & Sign'd.

Genl. Letters No. 24. 25. 26 From the Depy. Govr. & Council of Fort Stn. David read, the first & Second both dated, the 6th. Instant, enclosing a list of the Revenues collected there and advising that they have duely receiv'd the Stores we Consign'd them on the Fortune Sloop, and now return her to us, also that they have drawn on us for one thousand (1000) Pagodas payable to John Smith Esqr. value receiv'd into the Hon'ble Companys Cash of Mr. Peter Stn. Paul. The third dated the 14th. Instant, advising the Arrival of the Admln. Vernon, & their having safely landed the Treasure, We sent them on her, & that she will be soon ready for her Dispatches, that they will Comply with our Directions for sending up the Coffreys on the Colchester, which will be ready to sail in three or four Days, that they have sent the Mariamne Sloop to DeveCotah with a supply of Cash, & have order'd her directly from thence hither with a loading of Piles. Genl. Letter from Fort St. David read.

And the said Bill of Exchange as advis'd in the foregoing Letter from Stn. David being now tenderd to the Board, ORDER'D that it be accepted & paid when due. Bill of Excha. from St. David, accepted & Order'd to be paid.

Agreeable to an order of last Consultation Mr. Charles Turner Register of the Sea Gate, who was directed to take Charge of the Hon'ble Companys Furniture &ca. to deliver in a true & perfect Account of the Deficiency therein, now produces the same, which is order'd to be enter'd after the minutes of this Consultation, & that the Persons Who from time to time have had the Care of the Furniture be call'd upon to make good the said Deficiencys. Accot. Deficiencys of Furniture deliver'd in, Order thereon.

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Report survey of the Yorkshire Grey read.

Pursuant to a Resolution of last Consultation Captains Burman, Bunyon, & Sutherland having been directed to take a careful survey of the Ship Yorkshire Grey, & to report their opinion of her Condition to the Board, the same is now produc'd & read (as enter'd hereafter) whereby as She appears fit for the purposes we have in view, 'tis AGREED for the reasons mention'd in last Consultation to purchase her on account the Hon'ble Company, that she be call'd the Prince George, & the Command of her given to Capt. Edward Burman.

the Ship to be purchas'd for the Company to be call'd the Prince George & Commanded by Edwd. Burman.

Mr. Orme desires leave to go home on the Admi. Vernon. Granted.

Letter from Mr. Robert Orme, late in the Honourable Companys Service at Bengal read (as enterd hereafter) desiring leave to go to England on the Admiral Vernon, which the Board readily Comply with.

his Permission money paid in also Capt. Clives.

The Secretary now pays in Sixty (60) Pagodas, for the permission granted Capt. Clive and Mr. Orme to take their Passage for Europe on the Admiral Vernon.

Europe Packets &c. Vernon to be sent to Fort St. David by the Charles Schooner.

The Charles Schooner, a small light, Well sailing Vessell, having also Conveniencys for rowing, being now in the Road, 'tis AGREED to hire her to carry the Packets intended for Europe by the Admiral Vernon to Fort St. David.

Europe Dispatches sign'd.

The following Dispatches are now read & Sign'd. Vizt.

General Letter to the Honourable Court of Directors.
Seperate Genl. Letter to Do.
Import Warehouse Indent, for Goods for use & Sale for 1754.
Storehouse Indent for 1754.
Military Storehouse Indent for 1754.
Captain Cookes Dispatch.

All dated this day, ORDER'D that the Packets be clos'd as soon as possible, & forwarded to the Gentlemen at Fort St. David by the Charles Schooner, with a Genl. Letter to them now also sign'd, directing their Care that the said Packets be deliver'd into Capt. Cookes Charge taking three Receipts for the same, one of which must be forwarded by the same Ship to Mr. Secretary James.

THOS: SAUNDERS.
CHAS: BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AB: WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.

TO THE HON'BLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDT. & GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST: GEORGE.

HON'BLE SIR & SIRS

In Complyance to your orders, We have been on board the Yorkshire Grey, survey'd her, and find her to be a new Ship burthen 270 Tons, as well built for strength as any we have seen in the Country, and by what we can see of her Mould appears as if she would sail pretty well, but before She proceeds to Sea,

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the Slopes of her Hawses must be widend, in order to make her Hawseholes larger, and her Upper Works must be Caulk'd, they having been badly done when Built, as for Stores she is much in want of them.

HON'BLE SIR & SIRS
Your Honours most Obed^{t}. & most humble Servants
We are
EDW^{D}: BURMAN.
J. H. BUNYON.
HERBERT SURTHERLAND.

FORT S^{T}: GEORGE
FEB^{RY}. 14TH. 1753.

TO THE HON'BLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQ^{R}.
PRESID^{T}. & GOV^{R}. &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}: GEORGE

HON'BLE SIR & SIRS

I humbly request You will permit me to go to England on the Ship Admiral Vernon.

I am with the utmost Respect
HON'BLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obed^{t}. Humble Servant
ROBERT ORME.

FORT S^{T}: GEORGE
FEB^{RY}. 14TH. 1753.

AN ACCOUNT OF SUNDRIES deficient, out of what was sent from FORT S^{T}: DAVID in the Year 1749 Viz^{t}.

ACCOUNT PLATE.

5 Spoons.
6 Tea Spoons.
1 Soop Spoon.

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

Copper Ware.

2 Large Pots.
4 Peons Pots.
2 Bandagers.

BRASS & IRON WARE.

1 Syrup Tauch.
1 Teakettle.
1 Hoster & Chellinger.
1 Spit.
2 Stands.
1 Pole ax.
1 Chopping Knife.
3 Tables.
2 Dozen of Chairs.
13 Pallankeens with Pinjarees &c^{a}.
2 Roundells.

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21 Sail'd Charles Schooner, Thomas Cooper for Fort S^{t}. David, with a Gen^{l}. Letter to the Gent^{n}. there & two Packets for our Hon'ble Masters mark'd A & B to be sent by the Adm^{l}. Vernon.

22 Sail'd Snow Neptune, Andrew Karr for Pegue.

— Receiv'd by Tappies, Gen^{l}. Letters from Fort S^{t}: David dated 16th. . . . . Devecotah . . . . 15th. } Instant.

— Receiv'd by Pattamar Gen^{l}. Letters from Bombay dated the 17th. . . . Tellicherry . . 22^{d}. } Ult^{o}.

23 Sail'd Sloop Orange Tree, William Duggin, for Bencoolen & Batavia and to call at Fort S^{t}. David to deliver sundry Military Stores qs'd to the Gent^{n}. there, Invoice & Bill of Lading for which is now forwarded to them in a Letter from the Secretary.

24 Arriv'd Sloop Mary Ann, James Bream from Fort S^{t}. David.

— D^{o}. Sloop London, Henry Karr, from Bengal.

— Sail'd Snow Fanny, Thomas Browne for Tellicherry, with the following Gen^{l}. Letters dated the 23^{d}. Instant, Viz^{t}.

— To the Hon'ble Presid^{t}. & Council of Bombay, acknowledging the receipt of theirs dated the 17th. Ult^{o}. & in answer thereto acquainting them that the Delawar being fully loaded with Stores for the West Coast, We have ordered the Cap^{t}. to proceed there from Gallé & return hither, however we are oblig'd to them for their Intention of loading her home from Tellicherry.

— To the Chief & Factors at Tellicherry, enclosing the Gen^{l}. Letter to Bombay & acquainting them of our Resolution with respect to the Delawar & the Disposition of the Hon'ble Companys Shipping from hence & the Bay This season.

25 Sign'd & Sent Gen^{l}. Letter to the Dep^{y}. Gov^{r}. & Council of Fort S^{t}. David dated this day to the following Effect, that the President having been advised the Adm^{l}. Vernon had taken in 1074 Bales to compleat her Tonnage, & that they could send us up only five or six hundred Bales by the Colchester, we would have them detain that ship a few days longer, that they may send us all that can possibly be got ready.

At a Consultation

Present

Thomas Saunders Esq^{R}: Gov^{R}: Presid^{T}.
Charles Boddam. Henry Powney.
Alex^{R}: Wynch. John Smith.

Monday the 26th.

Gen^{l}. Letters read Viz^{t}.

Gen^{l}. Letters read Vizt. from Fort St. David.

N^{o}. 27. From the Deputy Gov^{r}. & Council of Fort S^{t}. David dated the 16th. Instant, acquainting us that they shall detain the Colchester a few days in expectation of our orders how to dispose of the S^{t}. Helena Tonnage on board her, and advising that they have drawn on us for one thousand (1000) Pagodas in favour of John Smith Esq^{r}. value receiv'd into the Hon'ble Companys Cash of Tho^{s}. Cooke Esq^{r}.

Devecotah.

N^{o}. 28. From M^{r}. George Dawson at Devecotah dated the 15th. Instant, enclosing the Accounts of that Settlement for last Month.

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Bengal. N°. 29. From the Presid^{t}. & Council of Bengal, dated the 18th. Ult°. advising that they shall dispatch shortly, the Bombay Castle to us with 320 Tons, & the Chesterfield half loaden, that the Godolphin will sail in about ten days, but that 'tis out of their Power to supply her with Salt Petre; That as we write so pressingly for Gunpowder, and having but a very small Quantity remaining they will endeavour to purchase some from the Moors, & supply us ℔ Godolphin, desiring we will send them two hundred Tons of Redwood, for the ensuing Season, and enclosing Copy of a Letter from the President & Council of Bombay " warning them not to purchase a Ship belonging to the King " of Persia bound to the Bay under the Care of one Mahmed Beg Shamloo lest " the Companys Affairs should be thereby embroil'd with the Persian Govern- " ment, which Ship being now on this Coast they transmit the said Advices as " a necessary Precaution to us."

Vizagapatam. N°. 30 From the Chief & Council at Vizagapatam dated the 1st. Instant, enclosing Indent for Wares & Stores, also Invoice &c^{a}. of 118 Bales consign'd us for our Hon'ble Masters Account on the Ship Saunders, & advising that by the said Ship they have sent us some Blue Cloth which has lain a Considerable time in the Warehouse there, being in no demand, also sundry useless Stores & an old Iron Beam, requesting a new one.

Ingeram & N°. 31 From M^{r}. Foss Westcott Resident at Ingeram dated the 25th. January advising us that agreeable to our Directions the 24th. Dec^{r}. he again sent the French Chief & Council at Metchlepatam his answer to their Accusation in relation to his seizing a Vessell in their Port of Yanam, which they return'd open with a Letter from their Secretary, purporting that M^{r}. De Maracin being absent they forwarded the letter to him, which he open'd thro' inattention without however reading it and is consequently not acquainted with its Contents and that their Council will not receive any Letters but what are address'd in the manner they formerly mentiond.*

*Vide Consultn. 26th D.

Bombay. N°. 32 From the President & Council of Bombay dated the 17th. January acquainting us that having been advis'd of the Arrival of the Delawar at Galle in a distressed Condition and imagining it too late in the Season for her to proceed hither in time to be dispatch'd home, whereby the Company might incurr a heavy demorage, to prevent which, they had resolv'd to order Cap^{t}. Dominicus to make the best of his way to Tellicherry to take in a loading of Salt Petre & Pepper which they have directed the Chief & Factors there to put on board her for Europe.

Tellicherry. N°. 33 From the Chief & Factors at Tellicherry serving as Cover to the Bombay Advices, acknowledging the Receipt of our Letter of the 28th. Decem^{r}. and acquainting us that agreeable to our Desire, they had taken such notice of the Dilatoriness of their Patamars, as they hope will deterr others from the like Remissness.

Letters from Capt. D'Gingins desiring a Court Martial Letter from Cap^{t}. Rodolph D'Gingins read (as enter'd hereafter) expressing his dissatisfaction at his not having been as yet call'd to his Tryal, offering some reasons to obviate the objections that were made to it, & repeating his request that a Court Martial may be had to determine on his Conduct.

Not granted. The Board are of opinion that the Reasons which before weighed with them not to grant Cap^{t}. D'Gingins's Request are of sufficient force to induce their refusal now, and tho' the Acrimony which has appeard throughout this Affair, & is very obvious in the Address now under Consideration might be a just motive for not returning any answer to these repeated Importunities, yet as the Board have ground to think it proceeds not so much from Cap^{t}. D'Gingins's own Sense of the Affair, as from some hidden Fomenters of Discord, a Reply is now draughted out, read & approv'd (as enter'd hereafter).

Letter from the Assay Master. Letter from M^{r}. Edward Edwards Assay Master read (as enter'd hereafter) setting forth that his Indent for Mint Utensils have not been complied with, & as they are absolutely wanted desires it may be mention'd in the Gen^{l}. Letter, AGREED that it be Complied with.

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Factory House at Porto Novo to be repair'd.

The Gentlemen at Fort S[t]. David having transmitted an Estimate of the Charge of repairing the Factory House at Porto Novo, the same is now read, amounting to two hundred & twenty one (221) Pagodas, AGREED that as the Expence is so very moderate, we acquaint the Gentlemen at Fort S[t]. David, we consent to the repair, & would have it set about as soon as convenient.

Prince George to be sent to the West Coast, with rice & Salt.

The Hon'ble Companys Snow Brilliant with a Cargo of Rice & Salt intended for the West Coast, hav[g]. been drove out of this Road in the October Storm, & not since heard of 'tis AGREED that the Prince George be sent thither with a like Cargo as soon as every thing can be prepared for her dispatch.

Anchors to be purchased.

Eight Large Anchors from 17 to 30 W[t]. being offer'd to Sale at so reasonable a Price as 3 Pagodas ℔ ⊕ W[t]. AGREED to purchase them on the Hon'ble Companys Account, as it is very necessary to have such in Store to answer any Emergencys.

Register of the Sea Gate, to take an Account of the Compys. Furniture.

and to be answerable for it.

the present deficiency to be wrote off.

The Board having at last Consultation resolv'd that the Deficiencys in the Hon'ble Companys Household Furniture should be made good by the respective Persons who have had the Charge thereof, it is found upon Enquiry, that they have pass'd under the management of several Persons without any regular Account of Deficiencys being taken, so that it is now impossible to determine who are justly chargeable, besides most of the Articles being such as were in constant use may probably have been entirely worn out and many were known to be carried away or destroyed by the Officers of his Majestys Squadron, 'tis AGREED therefore that the Register of the Sea Gate do now take an exact Account of all the Companys Furniture here, for which he is hence forward to be answerable & that the Deficiencys be wrote off to Profit & Loss.

Stores &ca. for Vizagapatam. to be prepared.

ORDER'D that the Indents for Wares & Stores, receiv'd, from Vizagapatam be deliver'd to the proper Officers, Who are hereby directed to prepare the same, to be forwarded thither, as Conveyances may offer.

Stores for the Prince George Arcot Cuddalore & Fortune to be prepar'd & the Impress paid.

The Storekeeper lays before the Board, Indents for Stores wanting for the Prince George, Arcot Snow, Cuddalore and Fortune Sloops, which is order'd to Comply with as far as possible, & also to discharge the Impress of the said Vessells, an estimate whereof is now produc'd.

Bill drawn from Fort St. David to be paid.

A Bill of Exchange drawn on us by the Deputy Gov[r]. & Council of Fort S[t]. David for one thousand (1000) Pagodas payable to John Smith Esq[r]. being now tender'd to the Board, the same being duely advised of, ORDER'D that it be accepted, & paid when due.

three Setts of Bills on the Court Directors sign'd.

Three Setts of Bills of Exchange of this date sign'd, drawn on the Court of Directors at ninety days Sight and seven Shillings, & Eight Pence ℔ Pagoda, Viz[t]

	£	s.	d.		Ps.	F.	D.
1 Sett. To Capt. Thomas Stevens or Order Value of Mr. John Smith, on Account of Mr. Thos. Cooke — — — — — —	100	—	—		260	31	24
1 — To John Freeman Esq[r]. or order Value oi Mr. John Smith on account of Mr. Chas., Craddock — — — — —	200	—	—		521	26	48
1 To John Starke, Esq[r]. or order value of Mr. John Smith on account of Richd. Starke, Esq[r]. — — — — —	31	7	2		81	29	—
3 Setts amounting to — — — —	£ 331	7	2	or	864	14	72

Three hundred thirty one Pounds, Seven Shillings & two Pence, or Eight hundred Sixty four Pagodas fourteen Fanams & Seventy two Cash.

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Mr. Wynch appointed Contractor to supply the Army with Provisions.

The President acquaints the Board that Capt. Clive's ill State of Health obliging him to go to Europe by which a Contractor to victual the Army would be wanting, he had wrote to Mr. Lawrence to consider whether that Expence could be reduc'd, Whose opinion was that he did not see any way of reducing it, but recommended that a Person be appointed to Victual the Men, & deliver in his Accounts upon Oath, as this Method seem'd to carry with it too great a Latitude it was rejected, & resolv'd to put it upon a Certainty, since which Mr. Lawrence advising us that his Sentiments were that it might be done for four Fanams Each Man, and Mr. Alexr. Wynch offering to do it on these terms, AGREED that he be appointed Contractor to the Army to supply Each man ℔ Day, with Beef or Mutton 1½ lb.

Biscuit 1 lb. or Rice 1½ lb.

Arrack 2 Drams. ℔ day.

In case at any time Beef or Mutton cannot be procur'd which some times happens, then Two Fanams Each Man Short Allowance & in proportion for the other Articles.

Monthly accots. read vizt. Mint.

Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master reads that Account for last, Ballance remaining in the Mint forty two Arcot Rupees, twelve Anaes (42. 12.–) which is carried forward, and due to the Mint, forty two Currt. Pagodas two fanams & Ten Cash (42. 2. 10) which are paid him.

Expo. Wareho.

CHARLES BODDAM Export Warehousekr. reads that Account for last Month, Ballance due from him two thousand five hundred Eighty two Pagodas, seven Fanams and seventeen Cash (2582. 7. 17) which is Carried forward.

Charles Boddam Paymaster reads that Account for last Month—

CHARGES GARRISON	Pags.	223	11	4
HOSPITAL CHARGES		981	8	76
PEONS & SERVANTS WAGES		429	17	—
CHARGES GENERAL		64	21	61
CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY		220	—	7
REPAIRS		550	29	60
FORTIFICATIONS		55	15	70
MATERIALS supply'd Mr. John Brohier for the use of Fortifications & Repairs		727	8	65
St: THOME &ca: Villages		18	23	6
POONAMALEE &ca Villages		145	32	29
FORT MALBOROUGH		208	34	28
CHARGES CATTLE		66	24	—
CHARGES DIET		583	12	—
		4275	23	6

Ballance due from him two thousand nine hundred and Eighty one Pagodas, Eighteen Fanams, & thirty eight Cash (2981. 18. 38) which is carried forward.

The Extraordinary Expences in the Paymrs. Account are enter'd hereafter.

Sea Customer.

Henry Powney Sea Customer reads that Account for last Month, Ballance due from him, One thousand one hundred and Eighty two Pagodas, twenty nine Fanams, & Twenty eight Cash (1182. 29. 28) which is Carried forward.

Impo. Warehouse.

Henry Powney Import Warehousekr. reads that Account for last Month Ballance due from him, Two thousand one hundred & ninety nine Pagodas three Fanams & sixteen Cash (2199. 3. 16) which is carried forward.

Storekr.

Alexr. Wynch Storekr. reads that Account for last Month Ballance due from him Sixty three Pagodas Twenty three Fanams, and thirty eight Cash (63. 23. 38) which is Carried forward.

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Military Storekr. — Alexr. Wynch Military Storekr. reads that Account for last Month Ballance due from him, eight Pagodas, thirty one Fanams, & Sixteen Cash (8. 31. 16) which is Carried forward.

Land Customer. — John Smith Land Customer reads that Account for last Month, Ballance due from him Eight hundred and five Pagodas, nineteen fanams, & Eighteen Cash, which he now pays in.

Military Paymrs. — John Smith Military Paymr. reads that Account for last Month, Ballance due from him, Eight hundred & thirty five Pagodas, fourteen Fanams, & thirty four Cash. (835. 14. 34) which is Carried forward.

Money paid into Cash on acct. of Rups. sold — Henry Powney Import Warehousekr. pays in ten thousand (10,000) Pagodas on account of Rupees sold and Twelve thousand Pagodas (12000) on his Running Accounts.

Money advanc'd Vizt. — AGREED that the following Advances be made out of Cash Vizt.

For the purchase of the Prince George. — To the Owners of the Prince George, Ten thousand (10,000) Pagodas being the Purchase Money agreed on for that Ship.

To the Storekr. — To the Storekr. to pay Impress & other Charges of the Company's Vessells, two thousand, three hundred & fifteen Pagodas, Twenty Eight fanams & thirty four Cash (2315. 28. 34).

Paymr. — To the Paymr. for sundry disbursements, six hundred (600) Pagodas.

Military Storekr. & Military Paymr. — To the Military Storekr. for the Charges of that Employ, six hundred & fifty Pagodas (650).

To the Military Paymr. to pay the Military four thousand three hundred & fifteen Pagodas, twenty Eight fanams, & thirty four Cash (4315. 28. 34.)

THOS. SAUNDERS.
CHAS. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR. WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.

EXTRAORDINARY EXPENCES IN THE PAYMASTER'S ACCOUNTS are in the following Particulars, January 1753.

HOSPITAL CHARGES					
Surgeons Medicine Note, more than last Mo.	P. 3	18	—		
Do. for new Cloaths made for the Hospital	775	20	—		
				779	2 —
PEONS & SERVANTS WAGES					
2 Peons allow'd to the Import Warehousekr. from Primo July to Ulto January is 7 Mo. @ fs. 30 each ℔ Mo. not paid before				11	24 —
CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY				220	— 7
REPAIRS				550	29 60
FORTIFICATIONS				55	15 70
MATERIALS Supply'd Mr. Brohier for the Use of Fortifications and Repairs				727	8 65
ST. THOME &ca. Villages				18	23 6
POONAMALEE &ca. villages				145	32 29
FORT MARLBOROUGH				208	34 28
Pagodas ..				2717	26 25

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To the Hon'ble Thomas Saunders Esq[r].
Presid[t]. & Gov[r]. &c[a]. Council of Fort S[t]. George.

Hon'ble Sir & Sirs

The Indents for Assay Office & Mint, which I have often sent home have not been complied with, I therefore shall be glad you'll let some thing be mention'd concerning them in the Gen[l]. Letter that goes home by this Ship, as I really am in great want of most Articles.

I am
Hon'ble Sir & Sirs,
Your most Obed[t]. humble servant,
Edward Edwards
Assay Mr.

Fort S[t]. George
Feb[ry]. 26[th] 1753.

To the Honble Tho[s]. Saunders Esq[r].
Presid[t]. &c[a]. Council.

Honourable Sir & Sirs

I receiv'd the letter which M[r]. Secretary Bourchier by your order wrote to me on the 6[th]. of February which I should have done myself the Honour to have answer'd before, had I not perceiv'd you were Embarassed with Affairs.

I am extreamly concern'd that this Answer should oblige me to trouble you again on the Subject of Lieutenant Demarrs Calumnys. It is impossible I should not be surpriz'd at not receiving all the Redress on this occasion, which it was in your Powers to have given me, as the President M[r]. Saunders in a letter to me dated the 20[th]. bid me be assur'd, " that I should have the strictest Justice done to my Character." I humbly request that you will excuse the liberty I take in pointing out wherein I think this has not been done.

You are pleased to say that " it is not in your Power to grant me the Tryal I desire from the absence of M[r]. Lawrence, & the want of a Captain to supply his Pla[ce] there being no more than two here, Who can be admitted as Members, Both Cap[ts]. Scrimsour & Vareilles having been objected to, as improper to set [*sic*] as Members at the Court of Inquiry on M[r]. Demarr, and must of Course in [a] Tryal of this Nature."

The Objections meant here I suppose are drawn from Major Lawrence's Opinion, That Gentleman objects only to M[r]. Vareilles as one unacquainted with the English Language, & should he be a Roman Catholick, Your Military Constitutions would prohibit him likewise, But I have not learn'd that Major Lawrence or any one else has ever objected to Cap[t]. Scrimsour, the objections to M[r]. Vareilles or any other not taking Place in regard to him, On the Contrary my last Address to you pointed out Cap[t]. Scrimsour under the designation of the next Officer in Command to M[r]. Lawrence so plainly that I cannot think my meaning has been misunderstood; As therefore the Companys Regulations & your opinion in the Letter now before me, admitted of Cap[t]. Scrimsour to preside to my Tryal were there no Objections to him, and as no Objections to my Knowledge have or can be made, to what can I or to what will the World attribute my misfortune in being thus depriv'd of the Common right of a Tryal when accus'd; It must be thought to have been denied me either thro' the Compassion or thro' the Prejudices of my Judges, both which are equally injurious to me.

As to my being satisfied with the Opinion of Major Lawrence & the Corps of his Officers, I beg leave to assure you that I hold in the highest Gratitude the Honour Conferr'd on me by this unanimous Attempt to Compensate as far as in them lay the injuries my Character had suffer'd, by this declaration that they

think me undeserving of them; But this Declaration ought in no ways to have diverted your Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. from my Trial, I beseech your Pardon for thinking that it is doing me no favour to say that you think the Declaration of Major Lawrence, & his Officers implys a Justification of my Conduct, when if I had been tried I am perfectly Conscious, that you must have publickly pronounced me acquitted: For sure none but his Enemies will say that because a Man in all probability will be acquitted, there is no need he should be tried.

The last reason given why I have not receiv'd my Tryal is that M^{r}. Demarr has resign'd his Commission, & is no longer subject to Military Regulations; By the Custom of all Military Regulations which now subsist in Europe, M^{r}. Demarr should have been put under an Arrest immediately after the last Court of Inquiry, if not before, & should have continued so till at a Regular Tryal, he had gone thro' his Charge against me; This was denied to Cap^{t}. Clive the President of the Court, after Sentence of the Court his Comission, if he had deserv'd it, might have been taken from him, but all offers to resign it before were no Impediment to his Coming to a Tryal; Aspersions on the Honour of a Military Man are so sacredly provided against, that excepting by the Compromise of the Parties, I never heard an Instance of their being past over without a Tryal, & if cast without foundation a Publick Ceremony as much to the dishonour of the Calumniator as to the Honour of the Injured, leaves both Characters for ever after in the State they deserve, without the possibility of Misinterpretations in regard to either of them. When M^{r}. Allen aspers'd Cap^{t}. Clive before Pondicherry, it was left to Cap^{t}. Clive's Choice whether he should be broke, Who, out of Compassion requesting that this might not be done, had immediately the Satisfaction to see M^{r}. Allen recanting and asking his Pardon in presence of a Line of Two thousand Men drawn out for that Purpose.

How evidently different the Treatment I have receiv'd, has been from such usages, I need not insist on, for I suppose no body is unacquainted that M^{r}. Demarr has left this Place, with a Certificate from the President as authentick in regard to his Military Character as the most Honourable & most deserving Officer of the Corps could have expected; Why all this has been so, I cannot account for, excepting I will admit myself to have behav'd in my Capacity as a Soldier in such a manner as to render an Affair of this Nature, & of such Consequence to me unworthy of your Attention only because it regarded me.

To obviate these Interpretations, I have already shewn that nothing that depended on me was wanting to my being brought to a Tryal, and as nothing will afford me so sensible a Pleasure as appearing before the Hon'ble the Court of Directors in a light not unworthy of the Benefits I have receiv'd in their Service; I must entreat your Permission to say, what nothing but the Circumstances to which my Reputation has thus unhappily been reduced, could extort or excuse.

I have had the Honour to Command the Companys Troops during the War, till the Arrival of Maj^{r}. Lawrence, As Treachery is what I have been aspers'd with. I shall insist on no other part of my Behaviour than my Fidelity & Attachment to the Cause which had I not had at heart, as warmly as any Man, Why did not I enter into the Overtures to which Chunda Saib so often solicited me, & why should I take on myself not to decamp with my little Army, after leaving a Garrison in the City of Tritchenopoly, when I had positive orders from the President for so doing.

As this is the last Address, I shall ever have the Honour to make to you, I beg leave to wish you all manner of Success & Prosperity, and remain with the profoundest Respect

HONOURABLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obed^{t}. & most humble Servant
R. D'GINGINS.

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
FEB^{RY}. 26TH. 1753

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, FEBRUARY 1753*——

To Capt. Rodolph D'Gingins.

Sir

We have receiv'd your Letter of Yesterday the President promis'd you Justice should be done you accordingly a Court of Enquiry was held on Mr. Demare, the minutes of this Court was sent to Mr. Lawrence, the Opinion of the Officers was transmitted & laid before the Board, the Secretary deliver'd You a Copy of it with our Decision that the Aspersion of Mr. Demare was groundless, & your Conduct Clear'd. If the Decision of the Governr. and Council & the Whole Corps of Officers is not sufficient, We know of no other.

Before you are disgusted you should be upon a Certainty & not a supposition that there were Captains; Mr. Vareilles who you insinuate may be a Roman Catholick, is the Gentlemen of whose Abilities Mr. Robins being convinced while he was at Madrass recommended to us as the properest Officer to be your Aid de Camp. You gave him the Command of the Train, & We should do injustice to him, if we did not take notice that in a late Action he behav'd very Gallantly; As he was unacquainted with the English Language, he was not Call'd on.

Capt. Maskelyne Who was the Officer on Duty had the Presidents order to put Capt. Scrimsour on the Court of Enquiry, He replied that he believ'd Capt. Clive would not sit if Capt. Scrimsour was there, the President insisted on it, but Capt. Scrimsour was reported unable to attend, in which Condition upon Enquiry you'll find him at present.

Mr. Demare resign'd his Commission and had nothing more than a Discharge as usual. The Clearing your Character was one thing you desir'd Another a Satisfaction for an Injury receiv'd; We don't suppose you was bent upon his ruin, but believe you would have been satisfied with a proper Acknowledgement, There are in all Societies, People Who by Constitution are always at War with themselves, Tired not Satisfied, they dispume their Cholar by sowing discord & fomenting instead of healing Differences, and We believe this has been the Case.

If Chunda Offer'd to bribe you to wound mortally the hand that fed you, Certainly you was in the right to scorn an Action that would have been loaded with the greatest Infamy.

If you was order'd from Tritchenopoly, it was when Capt. Clive was in the utmost difficulty and must with his whole Command have been cut to Pieces had he not been reliev'd. In the mean time the Mysores, Morata, and Tanjorenes join'd you, which quite alter'd the Case, We very readily referr this to the Company and are

Sir
Your most Humble Servants

Thomas Saunders.
Charles Boddam.
Henry Powney.
Alexr. Wynch.
John Smith.

Fort St. George
27th. Febry. 1753.

Receiv'd by Tappies Genl. Letter from Fort St. David, dated 20th. Instt. 26

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, MARCH 1753*——

1 Receiv'd by Tappies Gen[l]. Letter from Fort S[t]. David dated 26[th]. Ult[o].

2 Arriv'd the Hon'ble Company's Ship Godolphin, Cap[t]. William Hutchinson from Bengal with a Gen[l]. Letter from the Presid[t]. & Council there dated the 29[th]. January, & one from M[r]. Kelsall at * Ingellee dated 7[th]. Ult[o].

3 Letter from the Secretary, (by order of the Presid[t]. & Council) to the Gentlemen at Fort S[t]. David sent by Peons, advising that having but a bare sufficiency of Wax Cloth for the Bales here 'tis impossible to supply them with any but that nevertheless they must send up all the Cloth on hand ℔ Colchester.

Arriv'd the Hon'ble Companys Ship, Bombay Castle, Cap[t]. Tho[s]. Browne from Bengal, with Gen[l]. Letters from the Presid[t]. & Council there dated 29[th]. Jan[ry]. & one from M[r]. Scrafton at Ingellee dated 6[th]. Ultimo.

— Sail'd Ship Shirley, Thomas Powney, for Bengal.

4th. Arriv'd the Hon'ble Companys Sloop Porto Bello Cap[t]. William Grierson from Pegue.

At a Consultation

Present

Monday the 5[th]. Thomas Saunders Esq[r]. Gov[r]. Presid[t].
Charles Boddam. Henry Powney
Alex[r]. Wynch. John Smith.

Last Consultation read & sign'd.

Gen[l]. Letters read Viz[t]. From Fort St. David.

N[o]. 34 & 35. From the Deputy Gov[r]. & Council of Fort S[t]. David the first dated the 20[th]. Ult[o]. acknowledging the receipt of our letter of the 17[th]. & advising that they have but few more Bales to send on board the Adm[l]. Vernon, when, they shall be able to determine what Quantity they can send us on the Colchester, that they shall continue on board that Ship her S[t]. Helena Tonnage, consisting of Arrack, Sugar, & Candles, untill they receive our further Directions as the Adm[l]. Vernon has the like Stores on board for that Settlement; That they will observe our directions in regard to the deficiencys &c[a]. in the Stewards Account. The Second dated 26[th]. Ut[o]. acquainting us that the Adm[l]. Vernon is in readiness to receive her Dispatches as soon as our Packets arrive, That they are loading the Colchester but are in great want of Wax Cloth for their Bales and desire a supply from hence, That the demands from Camp & other Exigencys are so great & pressing that the two hundred thousand (200,000) Rupees, we lately sent them will be but barely sufficient to answer them, and therefore desire a Further Supply, also that an Assistant may be sent them in the room of M[r]. John Smith Deceased.

Bengal. & N[o]. 36. & N[o]. 38. From the President & Council of Bengal both dated the 29[th]. Jan[ry]. the first acquainting us that they have loaden on the Godolphin 4883 Bags of Rice & 32 † Duppers of Oyl, & by that Ship send us Cap[t]. Poliers Swiss Company, the Second advising that they dispatch to us the Bombay Castle with sundry Merchandize, also the Stores agreeable to our Indent for Bencoolen & by the Chesterfield shall send us what Gunpowder they can spare.

Ingellee. N[o]. 37. From M[r]. Henry Kelsall dated at Ingellee the 7[th]. Ultimo advising the Godolphins Draught of Water &c[a]. & enclosing his Protest against Captain Hutchinson for refusing to take on board six hundred & fifty Bags of Rice, part of his Tonnage.

Ingellee. N[o]. 39. From M[r]. Luke Scrafton dated at Ingellee the 6[th]. Ult[o]. advising Dispatch of the Bombay Castle from thence, also her draught of Water and enclosing the usual Papers

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* *Hijili* a small marshy district on the western side of the mouth of the Hoogley river. It is the sea coast division of the Midnapore district. Job Charnock occupied the place in 1687 on behalf of the East India Company—Imperial Gazetteer of India, Vol XIII, page 116.

† Dubber (Hindustani *dabbah*), a large oval vessel, made of green buffalo-hide, which after drying and stiffening, is used for holding and transporting *ghee* or oil—Hobson-Jobson, page 328.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, MARCH 1753*——

AGREED to write to the Deputy Gov[r]. and Council of Fort S[t]. David, advising them of the Arrival of the Godolphin & Bombay Castle which we shall dispatch with the utmost Expedition & would therefore have them forward to us all their Bales on the Colchester, & [. . .] sending us as Conveyances may offer all the Cloth they have in hand, as we imagine the Chesterfield will be able to take in rather more than we shall have here To send us by some Sea Conveyance (lest it should fall into the Enemys hands) an account of what Gunpowder they have in Store, how much is made Monthly, & what expended, To send us all the Piles they can by every Conveyance, That as Cap[t]. Clive proceeds to Europe from hence, they must write us of the Copper said to be deficient in his Account, that we may settle it with him, that after our late plentiful Supply of Cash, We are a little startled at their request for a further sum as such extraordinary demands will soon Exhaust our Stock, we shall however shortly make them a Remittance as the Army must be supply'd & other necessary Exigencys provided for.

Fort St. David to be wrote to.

The Season being so far advanc'd as to render the Passages of the Ships to Europe doubtful 'tis AGREED that the Bombay Castle be first dispatch'd directly home, as she can be soonest loaded, having her Salt Petre & Redwood, & upwards of half her Loading already on board, & may possibly save her Passage which would be much more hazardous, were she to be sent to the West Coast, But as the detention of the Godolphin here (on account of landing her Cargo of Rice, & taking in her Salt Petre & Redwood—a Work of Time) must inevitably be so long as to render her Passage, even were she to be dispatch'd directly home from hence extreamly precarious, & by sending her to the West Coast for the Surplus Pepper she will only be in the same Circumstances, 'tis AGREED that the Stores for Bencoolen on board the Bombay Castle, be transported to the Godolphin, & that all possible diligence be us'd in expediting her dispatch to the West Coast, as well as in loading the Bombay Castle directly for Europe.

the Bombay Castle to be loaded & sent directly home.

AGREED that the Prince George as soon as she can be got ready be sent to Fort S[t]. David with Cap[t]. Poliers Swiss Company, as We think it may be attended with some hazard to send them on Smaller Vessells, and it would be of infinite disservice to our Affairs should they likewise fall into M[r]. Dupleix[s]. Hands, which 'tis not improbable he might attempt.

Cap[t]. Poliers Swiss Company to be sent to Fort St. David, on the Prince George.

Letter from M[r]. Edward Edwards dated this day read, (as enter'd hereafter) desiring that his Wife may be permitted to take her Passage to Europe on one of the Ships now bound there, AGREED that the said Request be complied with.

M[r]. Edwards desires leave for his Wife to go to Europe.

The President pays into Cash the sum of four hundred & sixty Pagodas, four fanams & Sixty Cash (460. 4. 60) on account the Estate of M[r]. John Churchey Dec[d].

Money paid into Cash on accot. the Estate of John Churchey.

As it seems doubtful by the Gen[l]. Letter from Bengal whether the Gentlemen can be able to supply us with any Gunpowder, & our Demand being very urgent, 'tis AGREED that applications [be made] to the several Captains of the Europe Ships [. . . for] as much out of their respective Ships Stores, of [Gunpowder], Muskets & Pistols as they conveniently can, & the Secretary is order'd to acquaint them of our Request, also that it will be doing the Company an acc[eptable] Service, if they can furnish us with any four Pounder Cannon & Shot, which we are in great want of for the Prince George.

the Captn. of the Europe ships to be apply'd to for as much Gunpowder, Muskets & Pistols as they can conveniently spare. likewise some four Pounder Cannon & shot for the use of the Prince George.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, MARCH 1753*——

2 Bills drawn on the Court of Directors.

Two Setts of Bills of Exchange of this [date] sign'd, drawn on the Court of Directors at ninety days sight, & Seven Shillings & Eight Pence ℔ Pagoda Vizt.

	£	s	d	P.	f.	c.
1 Sett To Mrs. Henrietta Maria Massey or order Value of Mr. Henry Vansittart on Account of Mr. Francis William Massey	120	—	—	313	1	44
1 To Mr. John Thornton or order value of Mr. Chs. Bourchier on Account of Mr. Samuel Banks	50	—	—	130	15	52
2 setts amounting to .. .. .. £	170	—	—	443	17	[16]

One hundred & Seventy Pounds, or four hundred, forty three Pagodas, seventeen fanams & sixteen Cash.

1 Sett of Certificates Granted.

One Sett of Certificate of this date Sign'd for Two thousand three hundred & Twenty seven Pagodas Twenty two fanams & Sixty one Cash (2327. 22. 61) now paid into Cash by the Honble Thomas Saunders Esqr. & Mr. Henry Vansittart Attorneys to Mr. Robt. Turing, on accot. the Estate of Major Wm. Kinneer Decd.

Cash Acco. read.

The President reads the Cash Account for last Month Ballance remaining now compar'd with the Chest, Thirty four thousand, four hundred & five Currt. Pagodas, thirty three fanams, & fifty two Cash (34405. 33. 52) and ten thousand five (10005) Madrass Pagodas which is Carried forward.

Present of 21 Gold mohurrs to Balazarow.

The President acquaints the Board that he had sent as Customary a Present by the Vackeel to Balazarow Twenty one Gold Mohurrs which are Charg'd in the Cash Accot. at the rate of Pagodas (3. 32. 50) ℔ Mohurr, amounting to Pagodas 82. 1. 10 which the Board approve.

Money paid in for Rups. sold. & advanc'd the Commissary-

Henry Powney Import Wareho. Kr. pays in fifteen thousand seven hundred and Eighty nine Pagodas, Seventeen Fanams, & four Cash, (15789. 17. 4) on account of Rupees sold, which Sum is now advanc'd the Commissary to defray the Charges of the Troops abroad.

AGREED that the following advances be made out of Cash Vizt.

Cash advanc'd the Paymr.

To the Paymaster for the charges of his Employ, Five thousand seven hundred & Sixty three Pagodas, five fanams & fifty five Cash (5763. 5. 55).

Storekr.

To the Storekr. for sundry Disbursements one thousand (1000) Pagodas.

Rental Genl. & Scavinger.

To the Rental General & Scavinger for the Charges of that Employ one hundred (100) Pagodas.

THOS. SAUNDERS.
CHAS. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR. WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.

TO THE HONOURABLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDT. & GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HON'BLE SIR & SIRS

I shall esteem it as a favour if you'll give a Permission for my Wife to take her Passage upon one of the Honourable Companys Ships that goes home this Season, She being desirous to go to England.

I am
HON'BLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedt. Humble Servant
EDWARD EDWARDS.

FORT ST. GEORGE
MARCH 5TH. 1753.

Fort St. George, February 1753.

Dr. The Hon'ble United Companys Cash

Cr. Per Contra

	Dr.				Cr.			
1	To Ballance brought from last Months Account Pags.	23964	30	26	1 By Charles Boddam Paymaster advanced him for the Charges of that Employ	3863	5	55
5	To Henry Powney Import Warehousekr. receiv'd of him in part of his last Months Ballance	5000	—	—	— By John Smith Military Paym . advanc'd him to pay the Military	5315	28	34
12	To Accot. Currt. London receiv'd of Capt. John Chabbert for permission of Passage to England on Ship Admiral Vernon	30	—	—	8 By Fort Marlborough paid the amount of a Certificate from the Gentn. to Mr. Combes for Dolls. 6000 deposited by him in the Hon'ble Companys Cash there @ 15 $ ℔ 10 Pagodas	4000	—	—
—	To Henry Powney Import Warehousekr. receiv'd of him on Account of Rupees sold.	39063	5	55	— By John Smith Rental Gen . & Scavinger advanc'd him for the Charges of that Employ.	200	—	—
—	To Bills of Exchange receiv'd for the following Setts of this date drawn on the Court of Directors at ninety days Sight and their Stated Exchange payable as follows Vizt. For Companys Servants @ s 7 d 8 ℔ Paga.				12 By Tellesinga Chittee &ca. Merchants advanc'd them on account the Investment	7000	—	—
					— By Sunca Vencata Ramah & Ambaltaudy, advanc'd them on account the Investment ..	7000	—	—
					— By Gundaveddy Vencata Ramah & Nella Chittee advanc'd them on account the Investment	7000	—	—
					— By Tonapah & Condapah &ca. Painters advanc'd them on account of Paintings to be perform'd by them	5000	—	—
					— By Alexr. Wynch, Storekr. advanc'd him for Disbursements	657	32	16
					By Fort St. David paid the amount of the following Bills of Exchange drawn by the Depy. Govr. & Council for Money paid into the Hon'ble Companys Cash there Vizt.			
Sett.		£	s	D	P	F	C	
1	To William Wood & Charles Lucas or order Value of Mr. Henry Powney ..	970	3	8	2533	18	52	
1	To Heron Powney or order Value of Henry Powney ..	425	10	4	1110	1	48	
1	To Charles & Elizabeth Lucas or order, Value of Henry Powney ..	163	3	—	425	21	64	
1	To John Le Gross or order, Value of John Brohier.	80	—	—	208	25	3	
					1 dated 25th. Janry. in favour of Mr. Henry Powney for A. Rs. 15000 @ 380 % Ps.	3947	13	21
	Carried Over	1638	17	—	4277 31 7	68058	—	1
	Carried Over					3947	3	21
						40036	30	25

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Dr.	THE HON'BLE UNITED COMPANYS CASH—*cont.*								
	Brought Over	1638	17	—	4277	31	7	68058	
1	To Thomas Bland or order, Value of Henry Vansittart on account of John Pybus ..	40	—	—	104	12	41		
1	To Francis Magnus or order, Value of Henry Vansittart on account of John Pybus ..	30	—	—	78	9	31		
6	Setts amounting								
—	to. £.	1708	17	—				4460	1[6] [79]
—	To Acct. Currt. London receiv'd of Mr. John Brohier on accot. the Estate of Mr. Philip Glass Decd. & for which three Certificates are given him of this date							184	[8] [41]
21	To Accot. Currt. London, receiv'd for Permission of Passage to England Vizt.								
	Of Mr. Robert Orme				Pags. 30	—	—		
	Of Capt. Robert Clive } on the Admi. Vernon.				30	—	—		
								60	— —
26	To Henry Powney Import Warehousekr. receiv'd of him Vizt.								
	On Account of Rupees sold Pags.				10000	—	—		
	On his running Account ..				12000	—	—		
								22000	— —
	Carried Over ..							94762	25 51

	PER CONTRA—*cont.*				Cr.		
	Brought Over	3947	13	21	40036	30	25
	1 dated 4th. Febry. in favour of Capt. George Gardiner . . . 4000. . . .. Ps.	1052	22	59			
	2 Setts amounting to ..				5000	—	—
26th.	By Ship Prince George paid her Owners for her ..				10000	—	—
—	By Alexr. Wynch Storekr., advanc'd him for Impress & defraying other Charges of the Companys Vessells.				2315	28	34
26	By Fort St. David, paid the amount of the following Bills of Exchange drawn by the Deputy Govr. & Council, for money paid into the Hon'ble Companys Cash there Vizt.						
	1 dated the 10th. Instant in favour of Mr. John Smith for .. .. Pags.	1300	—	—			
	1 dated the 6th. Do. ..	1000	—	—			
	1 dated 16th. D . ..	1000	—	—			
	3 Setts amounting to				3300	—	—
—	By Charles Boddam Paymr. advanc'd him for Disbursements				600	—	—
—	By Accot. Presents, sent to Balazerow 21 Gold Mohurrs @ Ps. 3—32—50 each . ..				82	1	10
—	By Alexr. Wynch Military Storekr. advanc'd him for the Charges of that Employ ..				650	—	—
	Carried Over ..				61984	23	69

Dr. THE HON'BLE UNITED COMPANYS CASH—*cont.*

					Brought Over	94762	25	51
26	To John Smith Land Customer receiv'd o" h m the Ballance of that Account for last Month.					805	19	18
—	To Bills o" Exchange receiv'd for the following Setts of this date drawn on the Court of Directors at 90 days sight & their Stated Exchange, payable as follows Vizt. For Companys Servants @ 7 s 8 d ℔ Pag^{a}.							
1	To Capt. Thomas Stevens or order, Value of Mr. John Smith on accot. of Mr. Thos. Cooke. ..	£. 100	s. —	d —	P. 260	F 31	C 24	
1	To John Freeman Esqr. or order Value of Mr. John Smith on accot. of Mr. Christo. Craddock ..	200	—	—	521	26	48	
1	To John Starke Esqr. or order Value of Mr. John Smith on accot. of Richard Starke Esqr. ..	31	7	2	81	29	—	
3	Setts amounting to ..	£ 331	7	2	or			864	14	72
					Star or Currt. Pags.	96432	23	51

Cr. PER CONTRA—*cont.*

	Brought Over	61984	23	69
26	By Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master paid him the Ballance of that account for last Month	42	2	10
		62026	25	79
28th.	By Ballance carried to next Months Account.	34405	33	52
	Star or Currt: Pags.	96432	23	51

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—Fort St. George, February 1753—

Dr.	Madrass Pagodas			Cr.			
1	To Ballance brought from last Months Account	10005	— —	Per Contra 28 By ballance carried to next months Account	10005	— —

Errors Excepted
Thos. Saunders.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, MARCH 1753*——

Receiv'd by Tappies Genl. Letters from Fort St. David dated the 28th. Ultimo & 1st. Instant. 5

Sign'd & sent Genl. Letter to the Depy. Govr. & Council of Fort St. David dated this day agreeable to the resolution of last Consultation with this Addition (in answer to a Paragrapah in their Letter of 28th. Ulto. where they advise the Arrival of the Charles Schooner with our Europe Packets and say they had intended to send the Admi. Vernon to meet the Packet) that We should have given them directions to do so, had it not been necessary for the Depy. Governor to sign some Papers we sent by the Schooner, & in cases of this nature we desire they will wait our Directions. 6

Arriv'd Charles Schooner, Thomas Cooper from Fort St. David with a Genl. Letter from the Gentn. there dated 24th. Ultimo. —

Receiv'd by Peons Genl. Letter from the Presidt. & Council at Negapatam dated 25th. Ultimo. —

Arriv'd Ship Don Carlos, Hamilton Parkinson, from Bengal. 7

Receiv'd by Peons Two Genl. Letters from *Ingeram dated 1st. & 4th Ulto. & one from † Bandarma lanka dated 15th. Ulto. —

Receiv'd by Tappies Genl. Letter from Fort St. David dated 3d. Instt. —

Do. Do. Do. 5th. 8

Arriv'd Sloop George, Thos. Reason, from Bandarmalanka. 9

Receiv'd by Tappies Genl. Letter from St. David dated 7th. Instt. 11

The Master of the Cuddalore Sloop having represented to the Presidt. that it would be dangerous for that Vessell to remain any longer in the road, on account of her leak which is very considerably encreas'd, & the opinion of the several Gentlemen in Council having been taken thereon, it was AGREED to dispatch her immediately to Vizagapatam to be repair'd & an order to the Commander dated this day is accordingly sign'd. —

Sail'd the Hon'ble Companys Sloop Cuddalore, Stephen Holloway Bunyon for Vizagapatam. 12

Do. Sloop Mary Ann, James Bream, for Fort St. David —

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVR. PRESIDT. — MONDAY THE 12TH.
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXR. WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.

Last Consultation read & sign'd.

Genl. Letters read Vizt. — Genl. Letters read, Vizt. from

Six Letters No. 40. 41. 42. 47. 48. 49 From the Deputy Govr. & Council of Fort St. David Vizt. The first & second dated the 28th. Ulto. & 1st. Instant, advising us that Judging it might be of bad consequence to detain the Admi. Vernon any longer, as the Charles Schooner with our Packets was not arriv'd and the Wind & Current against her, they came to a Resolution of sending the Admi. Vernon to meet the Packet, but before this could be executed the Schooner arriv'd & prevented it; The third dated 24th. February being their annual — Fort St. David.

* A village near the mouth of the Godavari in the present East Godavari district. Here was established one of the earliest English factories on the East coast.
† Village, port, Amalapuram taluk, East Godavari district.

——FORT ST. GEORGE, MARCH 1753——

Address containg. an account of the Occurrences in the Compys. Affairs there for the last Year, and accompanying the several Papers mention'd in the List of the Packet; The Fourth dated the 3d. Instant, advising that they have drawn on us two Setts of Bills of Exchange, One for thirty six thousand (36,000) Arcot Rupees Payable to Henry Powney Esqr. or order, Value receiv'd into the Hon'ble Companys Cash of Mr. Dawsonne Drake, & the other for one thousand (1,000) Pagodas payable to Alexr. Wynch or order, Value of Mr. Robert Sloper, The fifth dated 5th. Instant, enclosing their Consultations & Monthly Accounts for Janry. and acquainting us that they are loading & hope to dispatch the Colchester to us in seven or eight days and to compleat the nineteen hundred Bales they formerly promis'd besides one hundred Tons of Redwood, and as much Salt Petre, that since their Indent for Wax Cloth their Warehousekr. has supply'd himself with a sufficiency; The Sixth dated the 7th. Instant desiring some lead may be sent them and advising that they have drawn on us for two thousand (2000) Pagodas payable to the Presidt. or Order Value receiv'd of Richard Starke Esqr.

Negapatam. No. 43 From the Presidt. & Council of Negapatam, dated the 25th. Febry. complaining of the Behaviour of Mr. George Pigot at Vizagapatam Who (they alledge) sent a Corporal with a Detachmt. of seapoys to Metchlepatam to demand an English Deserter, and notwithstanding the representations of their Agents forcibly seiz'd & Carried him away, desiring that such Proceedings may not be suffer'd.

Ingeram & No. 44 & 45 From Mr. Foss Westcott Resident at Ingeram, the first dated the 4th. Ultimo enclosing Journal Parcels & Cash Account for January, also Duplicate Letter (the Original not yet arriv'd) dated the 1st. Ultimo, acquainting us that the Rajah has order'd the Town of * Coringa with its dependencies to be deliver'd to the Company on their paying Yearly two hundred & sixty Pagodas, that he had taken possession of, & let the Town to responsible Persons, & declar'd it a free Port for three Years, that he has not yet receiv'd the Rajahs Cowle, but expects it daily.

Bandarmalanka. No. 46. From Mr. John Andrews at Bandarmalanka dated 15th. Ulto. enclosing the Accounts of that Place for January, also Invoice &ca. of 27 Bales qs'd us for the Companys Account on the George Sloop, and desiring we will send him a P'r of Triangle Weights and Scales.

Negapatam wrote to. AGREED to write to the Govr. & Council of Negapatam, that we are concern'd at the occasion of their Complaint, of which their Letter only has given us the News, that we highly disapprove of Mr. Pigot's Conduct, & shall enquire particularly into it, that we shall take proper measures to prevent any thing of the like nature in future, and shall on every occasion be glad to shew our regard for the Alliance between the Two nations.

Bales to be sent on Board the B'bay Castle. & the usual Caution &ca. deld. the Captain. ORDER'D that the Warehousekr. send Goods on board the Bombay Castle as the Ship can take them in and that the Secretary send Capt. Browne an order for receiving them on board, & the usual Caution against Fire, & keeping the Boats along side with Bales in them.

Capt. Browne requests 600 bags of Salt Petre at ½ Freight. Granted. Letter from Capt. Thomas Browne dated the 7th. Instant read (as enter'd hereafter) desiring for the Reasons therein mention'd, that we will load on his Ship, Six hundred Bags of Salt Petre at half Freight which may be the means of enabling him save his Passage, AGREED that Capt. Brownes request be complied with as we would omit nothing that may probably contribute to the gaining his Passage round the Cape, a matter of much consequence to our Hon'ble Masters.

Letter from Capt. Browne about his Another Letter from Capt. Thos. Browne dated this day read (as enter'd hereafter) acquainting the Board the 11th. of March is the time limitted for his dispatch, which being elapsed, he apprehends his Owners will be entitled to

* A seacoast town in the East Godavari district; former Dutch settlement and once the greatest sea port and ship building centre on the coast, now of little commercial importance—The Manual of the Administration of Madras Presidency by C. D. Maclean, Vol. III, page 229

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four months demorage over & above all Demorage hitherto incurr'd; In answer thereto a Letter to Capt. Brown is now sign'd, (as enter'd hereafter) acquainting him that we will dispatch him to Europe with all possible Expedition, & referr the Article of Demorage to be adjusted between our Hon'ble Masters, and his Owners.

dispatch & demorage. Resolution thereon.

The President lays before the Board Mr. Hunters Account of the Cost of the Arcot Snow, & of his Disbursements at Malacca & Cudda, amounting to five thousand six hundred Eighty eight Spanish Dollars 3. 4. (5688. 3. 4) AGREED that the said sum be paid out of the Treasury, & that the Account enter'd hereafter.

Accot. Charge of the Arcot Snow & ca. read & order'd to be paid.

Translate of a Letter from Capt. Chabbert dated the 1st. Ultº. but not receiv'd till the 6th. Instant read, ORDERD that it be enter'd after the minutes of this Consultation, & mention'd in the Genl. Letter to our Honble Masters, as we are of opinion it contains several very unbecoming Reflections.

Letter from Capt. Chabbert read. Order thereon.

Letter from Capt. Robert Clive dated this day read (as enter'd hereafter) acquainting the Board that he had discover'd an Error in his Accounts of Rupees two thousand (2000) & Pagodas three hundred (300) which he desires may be rectified & those Sums paid him, Requesting also that as he was disappointed of his Passage in the Admi. Vernon he may be permitted with his Family to proceed to Europe on the Bombay Castle, ORDER'D that with respect to the Error in his Account, Mr. John Smith Who then had the settling of them do examine the same & report, & in regard to the Passage for himself & Family that it be granted.

Letter from Capt. Clive desiring to have an error in his accot. rectified. leave for himself & family to go to Europe on the Bombay Castle. Smith to examine account & report. Passage granted.

Letter from Mr. Cornelius Goodwin dated this day read (as enter'd here after) desiring leave to proceed to Europe on the Bombay Castle.

Mr. Goodwin, Mrs. Cockell & Colefax desire permission [for] passage to England [on] the Bombay Castle.

And the President acquaints the Board that Mrs. Cockell & Mrs. Colefax are also desirous of taking their Passage to England on that Ship.

AGREED that the said several requests be Complied with, & the Secretary is directed to serve Capt. Browne with the usual Permission.

Granted.

Letter from Mr. Alexr. Baird dated 7th. Instant read (as enter'd hereafter) desiring permission to proceed to Europe for the benefit of his Health, & Assistance (as his Circumstances are but very indifferent) to perform it Creditably, ORDER'D that the Secretary acquaint him that the only Assistance we can give him is to serve one of the Commanders of the Ships, now homeward bound with an order to receive him & his necessarys on board.

Mr. Bair'd requests leave & Assistance to go to Europe. Order thereon.

A Petition from Hadjee Amot Subidar of the West Coast Seapoys read (as entered hereafter) setting forth that two Dollars ℔ Month are stopped out of his pay at Bencoolen for Rice & Ghee, that finding it very difficult to procure Seapoys to enlist for the West Coast, he has been under a necessity of promising them six Months pay instead of the usual advance of four Months and praying that the Stoppage of his Pay for Rice & Ghee may be discontinued, that the Seapoys may be allow'd six Months advance, that he may have a guard of twenty or thirty seapoys to prevent the Recruits deserting, & that the Tamtewalla & Boureewalla may have the usual pay of Twelve Rupees ℔ Month; Order'd that such part of the said Petition as relates to the Stoppage of the Petitioners pay, & advance to the seapoys be complied with, but the request in favour of the [1]Tamtewalla & [2]Bourewalla be rejected.

Petition of Hadjee Amot, Subidar of the West Coast Seapoys read. Resolution thereon.

1. Perhaps *tamkewala;* tamke (urdu), a small drum; hence the word means drum-beater.

2. *Bori* (Gujarati), dust. Boriwala may therefore mean a sweeper.—'The Modern Gujarati English Dictionary' by B. N. Mehta and B. B. Mehta, page 1110.

Baori (Urdu), a vagrant tribe who are cultivators and palankin-bearers.—A Glossary of Judicial and Revenue terms (British India) by H.H. Wilson, page 61.

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Money on accot. of Wm. Farrer decd. deposited into Cash.

Captain Joseph Bond Commander of the Arcot Snow desiring to deposite in the Hon'ble Companys Cash the sum of Sixty five Pagodas, twenty eight Fanams (65. 28. –) being the Ballance of an Accot. Currt. now produc'd of the Effects of one William Farrer, late a Mariner on board the said Snow, Decd. AGREED that the said sum be receiv'd into Cash & the Account enter'd after the minutes of this Consultation.

three Bills drawn from Fort St. David presented.

The following Bills of Exchange drawn from Fort St. David being presented to the Board, Vizt.

One for Two thousand Pagodas payable to Thos. Saunders Esqr.

One for One thousand Pagodas payable to Alexr. Wynch Esqr.

One for thirty six thousand At. Rupees payable to Henry Powney Esqr.

to be accepted & paid.

ORDER'D that they be accepted & paid when due, being duely advised of.

money paid in by the Import Warehousekr.

The Import Warehousekr. pays into Cash the sum of nine thousand four hundred & seventy three Pagodas, twenty four fanams & fifty one Cash (9473. 24. 51) on account of Rupees sold.

Cash advanc'd the Storekeeper.

AGREED that the sum of seven hundred Eighty nine Pagodas, seventeen fanams & five Cash (789. 17. 5) be advanc'd the Storekr. for Disbursements.

sloop Dragon paid.

The Owners of the Sloop Dragon now applying to the Board, for the payment of her, as agreed on in Consultation of the 3d. January, the sum of three hundred (300) Pagodas is accordingly now paid them out of Cash.

THOS. SAUNDERS.
CHAS. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AB. WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.

HON'BLE SIR & SIRS

The Salt Petre not being come down before I left Bengal could not procure a sufficient Quantity of it to stiffen my Ship, the want of which I find makes the Ship extream tender, Therefore humbly request your Honr. &ca. Council to grant me 600 Bags of Salt Petre only half Freight to enable me the better to keep my sides up & [in] the Weather in order for gaining my Passage about the Cape, which at this late season of the Year, can't Expect the Wind & Weather to be very favourable; As your Honr. &ca. Council are very sensible how agreeable & advantagious it will be to the Company for this Ship to gain her Passage, considering how Precarious if not improbable it is for the rest of the homeward bound Ships to get round the Cape of Good Hope, so late in the season as it will be before those Ships can possibly be dispatched, I therefore humbly entreat your Honr. &ca. Councils favour herein, & am with Great respect

HON'BLE SIR & SIRS,
Your most Obedt. Servant
THOS. BROWNE.

MARCH 7TH. 1753.

HON'BLE SIR & SIRS,

I beg leave to acquaint your Honr. &ca. Council with a Paragraph in the Ship Bombay Castles Charter Party, which says that this Ship shall not be dispatch'd before the 21st. Novr. 1752 N.S. nor after the 11th. March 1753 N.S.; which being now elapsed and Ship in all Points agreeable to Charter Party

ready for the Honble Companys Service, which I find by your Secretarys Letter of the 5th. Instant is to proceed for Europe, I thoug[ht it] necessary to acquaint Your Honr. &ca. Council [that the said] limitted time is expir'd & Ship ready in order (if I apprehend right) to be entitled to four Months demorage over & above all other Demorage Incurr'd hitherto.

I am
HON'BLE SIR & SIRS
your most Obedient Servant
THOS. BROWNE.

MARCH 12TH 1753.

TO CAPT. THOS. BROWNE OF SHIP BOMBAY CASTLE.

SIR

We have receiv'd your Letter of this date acquainting us with a Paragraph in the Ship Bombay Castles Charter party, which says that she shall not be dispatch'd before the 21st. Novr. 1752 N.S. nor after the 11th. March 1753 N.S. & the same being elapsed, & the Ship in all points ready for the Companys service, which you find by a Letter from our Secretary is to proceed to Europe, You thought it necessary to acquaint us that the said limitted time is expir'd & the Ship ready, in order (if you apprehend right) to be Entitled to four months Demorage, over & above all Demorage incurr'd hitherto.

In reply to which we can only say that we are Compleating your Loading with the greatest Expedition We are capable of, & as soon as that is done shall give you your Dispatches for England, where we must referr the adjusting the said Article of Demorage, between the Hon'ble Court of Directors, & the Owners of the Bombay Castle.

We are
SIR
Your most Obedt. Servants

THOS. SAUNDERS.
CHAS. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXR. WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.

FORT ST. GEORGE
12TH. MARCH 1753.

TO THE HON'BLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDT. & GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HON'BLE SIR & SIRS

In the Account of Disbursements & Receipts on the Arcot Expedition, which I deliver'd in shortly after my return from thence, I have now discover'd two Errors, which my attention to other Affairs at that time will I hope excuse.

I have credited the Company as having receiv'd at Arcot, the sum of 9000 Rupees & the sum of 430 Pagodas for which it is mention'd I drew Bills on this Settlement payable to Nella Contaggoon. Now it appears by Mr. Smith the Paymasters Account of Disbursements and by Nella Contaggoons Bills deliver'd up that I only receiv'd Rupees 7000, & Pagodas 130 by which errors I have wrong'd myself in the sums of 2000 Rupees, & of Pagodas 300, which I humbly request your Honr. &ca. will order to be paid me.

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. As I have been disappointed of my Passage on the Admˡ. Vernon, I am to desire your Honʳ. &cᵃ. will give orders to Captᵗ. Browne, to receive me & my Family on board the Bombay Castle being with great respect,

HON'BLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Oblig'd Servant
ROBᵀ. CLIVE.

FORT Sᵀ. GEORGE
12ᵀᴴ. MARCH 1753.

HONOURABLE SIR & SIRS

As I at present undergo a very great & equal Inconveniency both in regard to my staying in this Country or returning to my own, tho the latter is my choice, I must now request your Honʳ. &cᵃˢ. Permission & Assistance, to enable me to repair thither, on the first Ship, where proper Accommodations are to be had, in regard to my Health, You must in general be extreamly sensible of my Circumstances, which is the very reason of my having been so Cautious in executing this resolution, that I might do it in a creditable manner, therefore I hope your Honʳ. &cᵃ. will be pleas'd to assist me therein, & it shall on my arrival in England, be faithfully repaired, & Generously acknowledg'd; if your Honʳ. &cᵃ. do not think proper to gratify me in this request, I'm under an absolute necessity to stay in the Country, untill I can have assistance from my Friends in Europe.

I am
HON'BLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedᵗ. Servant
ALEXᴿ. BAIRD.

MADRAS
MARCH 7ᵀᴴ. 1753.

TO THE HON'BLE THOS. SAUNDERS ESQᴿ.
PRESIDᵀ. & GOVᴿ. &cᴬ. COUNCIL OF FORT Sᵀ. GEORGE.

HON'BLE SIR & SIRS

Being about to return to England for the recovery of my Health, I am to request your Honʳ. &cᵃˢ. Permission to Captᵗ. Thoˢ. Browne to receive me & my necessaries on board the Ship Bombay Castle.

I am with respect
HON'BLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedᵗ. Servant
CORNˢ. GOODWIN.

FORT Sᵀ. GEORGE
12ᵀᴴ. MARCH 1753.

SIR & SIRS

I really should never have expected that a Letter could have come from your Council so unworthy of it, as that Mʳ. Bourchier wrote me by your direction the 9ᵗʰ. Instant, indeed the Gentlemen of Council have never seen it, & are perfectly ignorant of its Contents, This is a Fact I am very positively inform'd of, as also that it is wrote in a Stile peculiar to Govʳ. Saunders. You seem by it to intend an Answer to the Protest & Letter I presented to you the 7ᵗʰ. Instant, But you will give me leave to say your design is without Foundation, & this I shall endeavour to prove.

You say not one word in relation to what I mention'd to you in my said Letter on the Subject of Govʳ. Saunders's Consenting & even promising to facilitate my Passage upon a French Ship, but who, twenty days after entirely

changed his Sentiments without any other reason, than the Caprice of a Will prone to variation; Yet I observ'd to you that it was in consequence of this first Consent of Mr. Saunders, I resolved to take the advantage of the then approaching Departure of the French Ship which sail'd the 10th. Instant. You think (or at least Mr. Saunders thinks) 'tis saying enough to deny the Validity of my Protestations, because of the permission you give me to embark on the Ship Adml. Vernon which is to sail for Europe the 28th. of this Month, that is Eighteen or Twenty days after the Departure of that from Pondicherry: But do me the favour to tell me whether you really think, Gentn. a Man is not depriv'd of his Liberty, when, being on the point of Undertaking a long & necessary Voyage, Two Conveyances offer, in one of which (to set out twenty days before the other) he may have the same Accommodations for the Price of Twenty Guineas, as in the other for one hundred; Do you think, I say, that this Poor Traveller can be understood to enjoy his Liberty, when a Governour in contempt of the Law of Nations, & of publick Liberty, obliges him to sacrifice both his Purse, & Time by forcing him to take the dearest and most tardy Conveyance.

I have made use of this figure, tho' somewhat Trivial, to prove to you, Gentlemen, that the infringement & violation of my Liberty in this respect is sufficiently establish'd, altho' you have meant to refute my protest againts it; But as (People perswade themselves) all bad Causes may be denied, Mr. Thos. Saunders, in good Policy is willing to deny this, 'tis Certain however that as he cannot be judge & Party in the same Cause, I dont imagine your Opinion can carry any decision on the Subject.

As to the pretended Indulgence you tell me of; You will give me leave to say it has no Relation to the foregoing, besides 'tis extreamly chimerical, since I am well persuaded, I am not obliged to give you an account of my Private Affairs, with an Officer, whom I have made such with the approbation of the Honourable Court of the Compy. at London. Therefore, unless you would require me to thank you for not doing me an Injury, which you could not do, 'tis Certain that your Proceedings towards me, are as hard, as unmerited on my Part.

I don't know how to apply what you say in your Letter, of the Swiss Detachment, Prisoners at Pondicherry, Every body at Madras know that when you sent it from hence for Fort St. David, in ten small Boats, which were for six days beating against the Winds & Sea, Every body, I say, know that at that time there were in this Road, two of the Hon'ble Companys Europe Ships, & an infinite number of other Ships or large Country Vessells in which this unfortunate Detachment would have run no risque, & might have had a safe & Convenient Passage to Fort St. David.

As to the injurious & inconsiderate reflection with which you finish your Letter, it touches me but little, altho' you endeavour in it to sully my reputation & that of my Countrymen by a Captious & insulting Discourse. Mr. Saunders does not know how sacred the Character of a Military Man is, whose Integrity is acknowledg'd and established by Persons much above him; He may perhaps, have some knowledge of India, where has been ever since his tender Years, & he has even well adopted its despotick Principles; but when he returns to Europe he will find it quite another thing, and I won't doubt a moment of his Changing much his way of Thinking.

I am with such sentiments as I owe you

SIR & SIRS

Your most humble & most Obedient Servant

CHABBERT.

FORT ST. GEORGE
THE 21ST. FEBRUARY 1753.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, MARCH 1753*——

To the Honble Thos. Saunders Esqr.

Presidt. & Govr. &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

The Humble Petition of Hadgee Amot, Subdar of the Wt. Coast Sepoys

Humbly Sheweth,

That Your Petitioner has now serv'd the Honourable Company upwards of fifteen Years, & though your Honr. &ca. Council have been so good to advance his Pay to thirty Rupees ℔ Month, yet as there is monthly stopp'd at Bencoolen, one Dollar for Rice, & one Dollar for Ghee, it greatly lessens your Petitioners Pay, which he humbly begs he may receive in full, without such stoppage.

That your Petitioner has had much difficulty & Trouble in procuring Sepoys for the West Coast, & that he was occasionally obliged to give some of them Hopes of having six Months Pay advance they alledging that the usual advance of four Months was only sufficient to buy them Cloaths, & necessarys for the Voyage, & that out of it they could leave nothing with their Wives & Familys, Your Petitioner therefore humbly prays that they may be allow'd six Months Pay advance, & as some of them are apt to run away after they have receiv'd their advance Pay, Your Petitioner humbly requests a Guard of Twenty or Thirty Peons to prevent them from it.

Your Petitioner further humbly prays that the Tamteewalla & Boureewalla may have the usual Pay of Twelve Rupees ℔ Month.

And Your Petitioner as in duty bound shall ever pray.

THE HON'BLE EAST INDIA COMPANY.

Dr. 1752.							Cr				
July 20th.	To Ship Arcott bought at Batavia for Accot. the Honble Company						By Ballance due ..	Spsh. Dolls.	5688	3	4
	Rix ..	$ 5500	—	—							
	To Invoice of a Cargo deliver'd to the Factory at Fort Marlborough	1230	—	—							
	Rix Dolls. ..	6730	—	—							
	At 125 ℔ 100 Spanish..				5384	—	—				
Novr. 9th.	To sundry Disbursements at Malacca, as ℔ Accot. Parts.	Spsh. Dollars			244	2	90				
Decr. 2d.	To Do. at Cudda ..				60	—	14				
	Spanish Dolls: ..				5688	3	4	Spanish Dolls: ..	5688	3	4

FORT ST. GEORGE
MARCH 8TH. 1753.

ERRORS EXCEPTED
℔ DAVID HUNTER.

——FORT ST. GEORGE, MARCH 1753——

THE ESTATE OF WILLIAM FARRER DECD.

Dr.					Cr.			
MARCH 12TH.	To paid into the Companys Cash for Account of the Deceased	.. ..	65	28 —	By Sundrys sold to the People of the Arcot	..	11	3 —
					By Do. sold at Outcry in Madrass	.. ..	28	1 —
					By Cash found in his Chest	.. ..	26	24 —
					Pagodas	..	65	28 —
			65	28 —				

FORT ST. GEORGE.
12TH. OF MARCH 1753.

ERRORS EXCEPTED
℔ JOSEPH BOND.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, MARCH 1753*——

Arriv'd the Honble Companys Ship Colchester, Capt. Roger Mainwaring Commander from Fort St. David, with a Genl. Letter from the Depy. Govr. & Council dated 10th. Instant. 13

Arriv'd Snow Good Hope, Jan Bolse from Bengal. —

Receiv'd by Tappies, Genl. Letter from Fort St. David, dated 11th. Instt. 14

Arriv'd the Hon'ble Companys Ship Chesterfield from Bengal with a Genl. Letter from the Presidt. & Council there, dated 11th. Ulto. & One from Mr. Peter Amyatt at Ingellee dated 17th. Ulto. —

Receiv'd by Tappies, Genl. Letter from Fort St. David dated 12th. Instt. 15

Do. . . . from Mr. George Dawson at Devecotah dated 10th. Instant. —

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVR. PRESIDT. — FRIDAY THE 16TH.
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXR. WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.

Last Consultation read & sign'd.

Genl. Letter read Vizt.

Genl. Letters read Vizt. from Fort St. David.

No. 50, 51, 54 From the Deputy Govr. & Council of Fort St. David the first dated the 10th. Instant, enclosing an Accot. Remains of Gunpowder, and advising that they send us 950 Bales on the Colchester, & a Quantity of Salt Petre & Redwood, also some Coffree's & Eight French Deserters, That on their applying to Capt. Mainwaring for Paymt. of the Bale formerly mention'd to be wanting of the Colchesters Cargo, he desir'd to adjust it with us, as his Officer is positive it was return'd, they have therefore debted the Presidency for the same as also for 1764 Buzar Maunds & 63 lb. Salt Petre of that Ships loading, wash'd out in the Storm, That the Copper deficient in the Stewards Account is since deliver'd to Mr. Charles Saunders Steward of the Garrison, The Second dated the 11th. Instant serving only to accompany the Invoice & Second Bill of Lading of the Colchesters Cargo, and the third dated 12th. Instant enclosing the Duplicate Invoice.

No. 52. From the Presidt. & Council of Bengal dated 11th. Ulto. enclosing sundry Papers particularized in a list of the Packet, & acquainting us that Mr. Kelsalls protesting against Capt. Hutchinson for returning 650 Bags of Rice was owing to a Mistake in his Orders, as they had agreed the Swiss Detachment Passengers on the Godolphin, should be reckon'd in her Tonnage; That by this Ship Chesterfield they have complied with our Indent for Packing Stuff, & Sent us about one hundred Chests of Gunpowder which is all they can procure. Bengal.

No. 53. From Mr. Peter Amyatt, dated at Ingellee the 17th. Ulto. advising the dispatch of the Chesterfield, & enclosing the usual Papers. Ingelle &

No. 55, from Mr. George Dawson at Devecotah, dated 10th. Instant serving only to accompany the Accounts of that Settlement for last Month. Devecotah.

AGREED to write to the Chief & Council of Vizagapatam, that we have receiv'd their Letter & Consignmt. ℔ Saunders, & shall Comply with their Indents as Conveyances may offer, that the Govr. & Council of Negapatam have complain'd to us that Mr. Pigot had sent a Party of Soldiers, & in opposition to the remonstrance of their Agents, forcibly seiz'd a Deserter, who had taken Vizagapatam to be wrote to.

protection at their Factory at Bimlipatam, which Conduct We highly disapprove, as in such cases a friendly Address might be attended with the desir'd Effect, & promote that good Harmony we would willingly maintain with the Dutch.

Letter from the Church Wardens read.

Letter from Messrs. John Smith & Alexr. Wynch Church Wardens dated this day read, (as enter'd hereafter) setting forth that a Debt of one thousand Pagodas, under the Head of East India Bonds & another of Pagodas (89. 18. 15) under that of Henry Newman, have for several Years been Carried forward in the Church Books, & that they cannot either by the Records or other Enquirys discover why the said Accounts have not been Clos'd, or in whose hands the Bonds were deposited Therefore desiring a Paragraph may be inserted in the General Letter to our Honble Masters, requesting they will give us what Information they can on this Subject, AGREED that the said Request be Complied with.

Resolution thereon.

Mr. Orme desires Passage to England on the Bombay Castle.

Granted.

Letter from Mr. Robert Orme, dated this day read (as enter'd hereafter) requesting, that as he was disappointed of his Passage by the Adml. Vernon he may be permitted to proceed to Europe on the Bombay Castle, which is granted.

Surgeon, Carpenter & Gunner of the Bombay Castle have leave to remain in India.

The President acquaints the Board that he is inform'd the Surgeon, Gunner, & Carpenter of the Bombay Castle are desirous of Continuing in India, 'tis AGREED that application be made to Capt. Browne for their Discharge, if it can be done consistently with his Ships Safety, as an Opportunity now offers of employing them with advantage to the Companys Affairs.

Survey of the Bombay Castles Warlike Stores, & men order'd.

The Bombay Castle having almost all her Cargo on board, ORDER'D that the Paymaster, & Mr. Edward Pero Lieutt. of the Train do go off, when she is ready for it to survey her Warlike Stores, & muster her Men, and report to us whether She is in a Condition to make a Defence against an Enemy in case of being attack'd.

the Warehoukr. order'd to send Goods on board the Chesterfield.

ORDER'D that the Warehousekr. send Goods on board the Chesterfield as the Ship can take them in and that the Secretary send Capt. Carter an order for receiving them on board, & the usual Caution against Fire, & keeping the Boats along side with Bales in them.

Mr. H. E. Johnson order'd to Fort St. David.

The Gentlemen at Fort St. David having desir'd an Assistant may be sent them, in the room of Mr. John Smith Decd. ORDER'D that Mr. Henry Eustace Johnson be station'd & proceed there on the Prince George.

THOS. SAUNDERS.
CHAS. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR. WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.

TO THE HONBLE THOS. SAUNDERS ESQR.

PRESIDT. & GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HON'BLE SIR & SIRS

There being two Heads that stand Debtors on the Church Books namely Henry Newman Pags. (89. 18. 15) & East India Bonds Pags. (1000 – —) which have been carried forward for several Years, & not being able to get any certain account of what is become of the Bonds (which it is imagin'd were in the Hands of the said Henry Newman, late Secretary to the Society for promoting Christian Knowledge,) or to learn from the Books now remaining, why his

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Ballance was not paid; We at the request of a Vestry take the Liberty of desiring your Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. to mention it in your General Letter to the Company, as it is not improbable but that they may be able to come at some Certain information regarding them.

We are with respect
HON'BLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obed^{t}. & most humble Servants

JOHN SMITH.
ALEX^{R}. WYNCH.
Church Wardens.

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
THE 16TH. MARCH 1753.

TO THE HON'BLE THO^{S}. SAUNDERS ESQ^{R}. &C^{A}.
HON'BLE SIR & SIRS

Having been disappointed in my Passage on the Adm^{l}. Vernon, I request the favour that you will permit me, to proceed to England, on the Ship Bombay Castle,

I am with great respect,
HON'BLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obed^{t}. & most humble Servant

ROB^{T}. ORME.

MADRASS
MARCH 16TH. 1753.

Receiv'd by Peons from Negapatam Gen^{l}. Letter of 8th. Inst^{t}. — 17th.

Sail'd Sloop George, Tho^{s}. Reason, for Bandarmalanka with a Gen^{l}. Letter for the Chief & Council of Vizagapatam dated Yesterday. — 19

Arriv'd Ship S^{ta}. Catherina, Ant: Pereira Brago, from Macao. —

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQ^{R}. GOV^{R}. PRESID^{T}.
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEX^{R}. WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.

MONDAY THE 19TH.

Gen^{l}. Letter N^{o}. 56 From the Gov^{r}. & Council of Negapatam dated the 8th. Instant, Enclosing Copy of an Account Expences of repairing the Delawar at Gallee amounting to Rix Dollars, One thousand and Seventy five (1075) or Florins two thousand five hundred & Eighty (2580) which sum they request may be remitted to Their Servants at Pulliacat; AGREED that the same be complied with.

Gen^{l}. Letter from Negapatam read.

A Letter from Cap^{t}. Tho^{s}. Browne of the Bombay Castle read (as enter'd hereafter) representing that he has on board his Ship a Chest of Treasure markd IS for one M^{r}. Sisson lately Dec^{d}. in Bengal, which his Administrator not having his Bill of Lading, would give him no other Indemnity to deliver it to him than his Receipt, He therefore thought it most adviseable as his Bill of Lading was against him to bring it here; and desires if agreeable to us to lodge it in the Companys Cash, & to have a Certificate for it, to enable the Person lawfully entitled to it to receive the amount of it for the Hon'ble Company in England, AGREED to Comply with Cap^{t}. Brownes request to receive the same into the Hon'ble Companys Treasury; to remain there to be deliver'd to such Persons as may produce the Bill of Lading, & other proper Powers to receive it,

a Letter from Capt. Browne, desiring to lodge a Chest of Treasure for one Mr. Sisson lately Decd. in Bengal, in the Company's Cash here & to give him a Certificate

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that the amount may be receivd in England. AGREED to receive it into the Treasury to give him a Certificate for it but not to make the Company answerable for the amount in England.

& to Grant him a Certificate to that Purport; but not to interfere in it so far as to make the Hon'ble Company answerable for the amount of it in England; which the Secry. is order'd to acquaint him with.

Capt. Grierson requests his allowances for Port Expences and Provisions may be continued.

The Storekr. lays before the Board a Letter, he has receiv'd from Captn. Wm. Grierson of the Hon'ble Companys Sloop Porto Bello on the subject of his Allowances for Port Expences & Provisions being order'd to be no longer Continued, but upon the footing of the other Commanders of the Companys Vessells, representing that as he was appointed Commander of the said Sloop by the Hon'ble Court of Directors, & has remain'd in her ever since, being now almost six Years, during which time he has always enjoy'd those Allowances. He therefore requests that they may be continued to him untill her return from her intended Voyage, which he supposes cannot be long, when if We think proper we may discharge him from her, As it would be a reflection upon him after serving six Years to be reduc'd in the same Vessell, Which being Consider'd as the said Allowances are no more than [he] were appointed by the Honble Company when she came from England; Tho' We imagine, they did not then intend, she should after being discharg'd by Mr. Boscawen from his Squadron have been employ'd for any other Service, than that of Bengal River, for which She was first built, when She would have been on the same footing as the other Sloops there, Yet as there is a necessity for her being now sent another way, & Captn. Grierson having all along behav'd himself suitable to his Station, he is in, AGREED That the said Allowances be continued him, till the Sloops Return.

The same Granted.

Genl. Letter to Fort St. David draughted out.

AGREED that a Genl. Letter be wrote to the Depy. Govr. & Council of Fort St. David in answer to several lately receiv'd from them to go by the Godolphin & Prince George be now draughted out as follows; That we have by those Vessells sent a reinforcement of Military for the Camp, on whose Arrival they will immediately acquaint Major Lawrence, & take his Advice in sending them to him, that we have sent them also a Supply of one hundred thousd. (100,000) Rupees (which the low State of our Cash obliges us to recommend to them to be very frugal of,) & some Lead and Medicines; We shall account with Captn. Mainwaring for the Bale missing, & have sent them Mr. Henry Eustace Johnson Writer to their Assistance, directing them to return us the Godolphin, & Prince George as soon as possible, to send us up Twenty Camp Kettles, by them, & pay Mr. Westcotts Attorneys for the Blackwood Furniture at the Garden House made by Mr. Floyers Direction at Bombay, of which we now send them six Elbow Chairs, & Two Settees.

&

sailing orders to Captn. Hutchinson & Burman.

Sailing Orders to Captains Hutchinson and Burman are also order'd to be draughted out, directing them in case any Attempts should be made to stop them in Pondicherry Road, & make the Prisoners the Military they have on board, to use what means they can to prevent it.

The Import Whokr. pays money into Cash.

The Import Warehousekr. now pays into Cash the following sums Vizt.

&

Five thousand, two hundred, sixty three Pagodas, five fanams and fifty five Cash (5263. 5. 55) on account of Rupees sold & Eleven thousand (11000) Pagodas on his running Account.

Sea Customer.

The Sea Customer also pays in One thousand (1000) Pagodas on his running Account.

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AGREED that the following Advances be made out of Cash Viz^{t}. advances out of Cash

To the Storek^{r}. to pay for Timber & Plank lately purchased of the Owners of the Yorkshire Grey, & other Disbursements Three thousand, six hundred & fifty seven Pagodas, thirty Two fanams, & sixteen Cash (3657. 32. 16). To the Storekr.

To the Military Storek^{r}. Two thousand five hundred (2500) Pagodas for Disbursements & Military Storekr. &

To the Commissary to defray the Charges of the Troops abroad, five thousand two hundred & sixty three Pagodas five fanams & fifty five Cash (5263. 5. 55). Commissary.

THO^{S}. SAUNDERS.
CHA^{S}. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
A^{LX}. WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.

HON'BLE SIR & SIRS

It being Customary when Private Silver is brought out, The Person to whom it belongs, or Consign'd to, sends the Bill of Loading & desires an order for the delivery of it, & having among others brought out a small Chest Treasure markt IS, & hav^{g}. made all the Inquiry I cou'd at Bengal, whom it belong'd to, a few days before I came away M^{r}. Tho^{s}. Coals made a demand of it as Administrator to one M^{r}. John Sisson, who died Intestate, & M^{r}. Coals would give me no other Indemnity than his receipt, neither would he be at the Expence of an attested Copy, out of the Mayors Court, of Administratorship, or even run the risque of the river in bringing the Chest from on board, & consequently I had no occasion either to run the Risque, or be at any Expence, But when the Gentlemen dispatch'd me from Ingellee, one of them had a Letter from M^{r}. Coals wherein he desir'd me to deliver him the said Chest; & his Receipt should be my sufficient discharge & in case I did not to deliver me a Protest wh^{h}. he had inclosed, & as my Bill of Lading was against me & M^{r}. Coals had no such thing, I thought it most adviseable to bring it here, & to lodge it if agreeable to your Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. Council in the Companys Cash and to request a Certificate for the same, to enable the Person lawfully Intitled to it, to receive the amount of it in England from the Hon^{ble}. Company as I would not willingly run the risque of the Seas home with the said Chest of Treasure.

I am
HON'BLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obed^{t}. Servant,
THO^{S}. BROWNE.

19TH. MARCH 1753.

Sail'd the Hon'ble Companys Ships Godolphin, Cap^{t}. Wm. Hutchinson, & Prince George, Cap^{t}. Edward Burman, for Fort S^{t}. David with Gen^{l}. Letters of Yesterdays date, Some Military Treasure, & Stores. 21ST.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THO^{S}. SAUNDERS ESQ^{R}. GOV^{R}. PRESID^{T}.
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEX^{R}. WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.

WEDNESDAY THE 21ST.

The Secretary lays before the Board a Letter from Cap^{t}. Tho^{s}. Browne, in reply to what he was directed at last Consultation to acquaint him, concerning the Chest of Private Treasure he requested to lodge in our Cash belonging to M^{r}. Sissons Estate; Wherein he says at it may probably be at least two Years if not more, before the Bill of Lading may be produc'd or Proper Powers to receive the same, & We don't Chuse to make the Hon'ble Company accountable A Letter from Capt. Browne about the chest of Private Silver which he don't Chuse to

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lodge here on the Terms agreed on last Consultation. the Board dont care to take Charge of it, on any other.

for the amount in England; he intends to Carry it on board again, & abide by the Consequences; upon which the Secretary is order'd to let him know, we dont Chuse to take Charge of it, upon any other Terms, than he was before acquainted with.

Report survey of the Bombay castle deliver'd in, with lists of her Men & Stores.

The Paymaster & Lieut^{t}. Pero of the Train having been on board the Bombay Castle to survey her Men, & Warlike Stores, deliver in the Lists thereof, & report her in a Good Condition of Defence.

Capt^{t}. Browne delivers, in the Manifest of his Adventure.

Capt^{t}. Browne of the Bombay Castle attending delivers in upon Oath, his Manifest of his Homeward Bound Adventure.

Genl. Letter to the Co. sign'd, with the Captains dispatch, & the Packet order'd to be Clos'd.

Genl. Letter to the Hon'ble Court of Directors to go by the Bombay Castle read & sign'd with Capt^{t}. Brownes Dispatch & several other Papers for the Packet for that Ship which is order'd to be Clos'd as soon as possible.

THO^{S}. SAUNDERS.
CHA^{S}. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
A^{R}. WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.

23^{d}. Arriv'd Sloop Messaree, Philip D^{a}. Sylva from Tavay.

— Sail'd the Hon'ble Companys Ship Bombay Castle, Capt^{t}. Tho^{s}. Browne, for England.

24th. Arriv'd Ship S^{t}. Antonio, Feliciano da Sylva Monteira, from Macao.

— Arriv'd Brigantine Hyderebux, Bemajee, from Pegue.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

SATURDAY THE 24TH.

THO^{S}. SAUNDERS ESQ^{R}. GOV^{R}. PRESID^{T}.
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEX^{R}. WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.

The President acquaints the Board, that M^{r}. Thomas Rait, Supra Cargo of the Success Galley, now bound to the West Coast had offer'd him 1400 Baggs of Rice at Sixty five Pagodas ℔ Garce, to be deliver'd Freight free at Fort Marlborough, & a Sample of the Rice being now produc'd, AGREED that the said Quantity of Rice be purchased for the Hon'ble Companys Account, on the Terms & Conditions abovemention'd & to be paid for at Fort Marlborough.

Letter from Capt^{t}. Carter, about Demorage read.

Letter from Capt^{t}. Edwin Carter, Commander of the Chesterfield, dated Yesterday, read, (as enter'd hereafter) setting forth that as the Time limitted in Charter Party, for the Dispatch of the said Ship to Europe, this Season is expired his Owners will be intitled to four Months Demorage, besides what accrued to the Time the said Ship should have been dispatch'd; AGREED that

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the Secretary acquaint Capt. Carter his Dispatches will be deliver'd him this Evening and that we referr it to our Hon'ble Masters to adjust the Demorage with his Owners.

Lieutt. Shaw desires leave to resign his Commission, and go home with his Family on the Chesterfield. Granted.

Letter from Mr. John Shaw a Lieutt. in the Bengal Detachment, dated yesterday read (as enter'd hereafter) desiring leave to resign his Commission, & return to Europe with his Family, on the Chesterfield, AGREED that the said Request be granted & the Secretary is directed to serve Capt. Carter with the usual Permit.

Report Survey of the Chesterfields Men and Stores.

The Paymaster & Lieutt. Pero of the Train, having pursuant to order, been on board the Chesterfield, to muster her Men, & survey her Warlike Stores, now deliver in the lists thereof.

Capt. Carter delivers in, the manifest of his Adventure.

Capt. Edwin Carter of the Chesterfield attending delivers in upon oath the Manifest of his homeward bound Adventure.

Dispatches for Chesterfield sign'd.

Genl. Letter to the Hon'ble Court of Directors to go by the Chesterfield read, & sign'd also Capt. Carters Dispatch, & several other Papers for the Packet by that Ship, which is order'd to be clos'd, & deliver'd, as soon as possible.

Passage money for Mr. Shaw, & his Family paid in.

The Secretary pays into Cash, Sixty (60) Pagodas, for the permission of Passage to England, on the Chesterfield, of Mr. John Shaw, & his Family.

THOS. SAUNDERS.
CHAS: BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
THOS: SAUNDERS.
AR. WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.

TO THE HON'BLE THOS. SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDT. & GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HON'BLE SIR & SIRS

The Term limitted in Charter Party for dispatching the Chesterfield to Europe this Season being some time since expired, I think it necessary to acquaint you, that the Owners will be entituled to four Months demorage, over & above all Demorage accrued to the Time, the said Ship should have been dispatch'd.

I am
HON'BLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedt. Humble Servant
EDN. CARTER.

MARCH 23D. 1753.

TO THE HON'BLE THOS. SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDT. & GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Being call'd to Europe on account of my Affairs, I humbly request Your Honr. &ca. Permission to resign my Commission, & return to England with my Family, on the Chesterfield, Capt. Carter.

I am with great respect
HON'BLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedt Humble Servant
JOHN SHAW.

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23D. MARCH 1753.

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25th Sail'd the Hon'ble Companys Ship Chesterfield Capt. Edn. Carter, for England.

— Receiv'd by Tappies Genl. Letter from Fort St. David dated 19th. Instant.
... ... by Peons ... ... { from Ingeram dated 6th. / from Bandarmalanka 4th. } Instant.

26th Arriv'd Sloop London, Henry Karr, from Fort St. David.

— Do. Brigantine St. George, Gixard, from Metchlepatam.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY THE 26TH. THOS. SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVR. PRESIDT
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXR. WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.

Last Consultation read & sign'd.

Genl. Letters read Vizt.

Genl. Letters read Vizt. from}

Fort St. David

No. 57 From the Deputy Govr. & Council of Fort St. David dated 19th. Instant acquainting us (in answer to our Letter wherein we desire to know what Quantity of Gunpowder they can make) that the Military Storekr. informs them he can bring in Ten Candys a Month, & that he has now one hundred Barrels near finish'd, that by a late Experiment they have found a small Addition of Spirits of Wine to the Powder gives it Considerable more Strength, & is therefore recommended by the Engineers, as the Expence will be fully made up in Goodness that the Military Storekr. requests an additional Allowance for making the Gunpowder as the Charge of Cooley Hire, and Charcoal is considerably encreas'd.

Ingeram.

No. 58. From Mr. Westcott Resident at Ingeram dated 6th. Instant enclosing Indent for Wares & Stores for that Settlement, also Journal Parcells & Cash Account for the last Month, & expressing his Concern at our disapproval of his Cloth, assuring us that it has not been thro' want of his Endeavours to procure the best, but the Demand of the French last year, & the number of Persons resorting there, since the Troubles in these Parts, to purchase Goods for the Eastern Market has very much hurt the Manufacture of the Ordinary Goods, that he does not apprehend the Vizagapatam Investment can be injur'd by his [*sic*] as he has prohibited his Merchants from purchasing Goods there, which he believes they have Complied with, that he has been particularly careful to keep the Merchants to their due Lengths & Breadths, & turn'd out a large Quantity of Cloth on that Account.

Bandarmalanka.

No. 59 From Mr. John Andrews at Bandarmalanka dated 4th. Instant, accompanying the Accounts of that Settlement for last Month.

Wares & Stores for Ingeram to be prepared.

Order'd that the Indent for Wares & Stores receiv'd from Ingeram be deliver'd to the proper Officers who are directed to prepare the same to be forwarded thither as conveyances may offer.

China Jesuits desire to be paid, the Interest due to them, for money lent the Company.

The President lays before the Board a Letter to him from one Father Memii de Gargam at Pondicherry, desiring on behalf of the Jesuits Missionarys in China that the Interest due on their Money formerly lent the Company at 6 ℘ Ct. amounting at this Time to 8400 Pagodas may be paid as they are inform'd the Company have given directions to that purpose, AGREED that an answer be return'd the said Memii de Gargam, that we have no orders from the Company to pay the said Interest, but that we have wrote them on that Subject.

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The Accountant delivers in (as enterd hereafter) the account of Salary due to the Company's Servants at this Settlement for the last six Months ending the 25th. Instt. which is order'd to be paid. Accot. Salary read, & Order'd to be paid.

Genl. Letter to the Deputy Govr. & Council of Fort Marlborough dated this day, to go by the Success Galley is now sign'd, acquainting them that we have agreed with the Supra Cargo of that Ship to deliver them 1400 Baggs of Rice, which they are to pay for after the rate of Sixty five Pagodas ℔ Garce reckoning 9256½ Pounds ℔ Garce, at the Exchange of 17¼ Dollars for ten Pagodas, which Sum if the said Supra Cargo Should desire to pay into Cash, they may receive & Grant Certificates to us, as well as for what money Capt. Dominicus may offer to pay in, as far as the amount of what they may advance him, on Account his Voyage to Batavia, but no more That we shall shortly dispatch the Godolphin to them for about 200 Tons of Pepper to complete her Loading; We shall also send them the Prince George with Stores, Rice and Salt; That their Arab Serjeant Hodjee Amot returns to them on this Ship with Recruits, Who have receiv'd pay to the end of this Month, & six Months Advance, that the said Serjeant has represented to us, One Dollar ℔ Month has been stopp'd out of his Pay for Rice, & another for Ghee, which must be discontinued. Genl. Letter to Fort Marlborough.

Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master reads that Account for last month, Ballance remains. in the Mint Eighty three Arcot Rupees, five anaes (83. 5. –) which is carried forward, & due to the Mint, Twenty six Currt. Pagodas Twenty two fanams (26. 22. –) which are paid him. Monthly Accot. read. Vizt. Mint

Charles Boddam Export Warehousekr. reads that Account for last Month, Ballance due from him, Two thousand, nine hundred, & thirty Pagodas twenty one fanams, & Sixty five cash (2930. 21. 65) which is Carried forward.

Charles Boddam Paymr. reads that Account for last Month. Paymrs

Charges Garrison	346	23	—
Charges Hospital	206	34	50
Peons & Servants wages	420	5	—
Charges General	62	16	8
Charges Extraordinary	391	21	30
Repairs	545	2	22
Fortifications	844	28	30
Materials supplyed Mr. Brohier for the use of Fortifications & Repairs.	2744	31	7
St. Thome & Ca. Villages	24	31	20
Poonamallee & Ca. Villages	145	33	60
Fort Marlborough	176	11	27
Charges Cattle	66	24	—
Charges Diet	583	12	—
Pagodas	6559	22	14

Ballance due from him Eight hundred & Eighty five Pagodas, one fanam, & seventy nine Cash (885. 1. 79) which is Carried forward.

The Particulars of the Extraordinary Charges in the Paymrs. Account are enter'd hereafter.

Henry Powney Import Warehousekr. reads that Account for last Month, Ballance due from him three thousand seven hundred & seventy five Pagodas one fanam, & Sixty one Cash (3775. 1. 61) which is Carried forward. Import Warehouse

Henry Powney Sea Customer reads that Account for last Month, Ballance due from him, five thousand four hundred & fifty Pagodas, three fanams & Sixty three Cash (5450. 3. 63) which is Carried forward. Sea Customer

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Store-keepers. Alexr. Wynch Storekr. reads that Account for last Month, Ballance due from him Two thousand four hundred & nine Pagodas, twenty six fanams & thirty three Cash (2409. 26. 33.) which is Carried forward.

Military Storekrs. Alexr. Wynch Military Storekr. reads that Account for last Month, Ballance due from him five Pagodas sixteen fanams, & Eleven Cash (5. 16. 11) which is Carried forward.

Milltary Paymrs. John Smith Military Paymaster reads that Account for last Month, Ballance due from him, One thousand seven hundred & forty four Pagodas & Sixty three Cash (1744. –. 63) which is Carried forward.

Land Customer. John Smith Land Customer reads that Account for last Month, Ballance due from him nine hundred & eight Pags. Twenty two Fanams & seventeen Cash (908. 22. 17) which he now pays in.

Mr. Combes Exps. paid. The President lays before the Board an Account deliver'd him by Mr. Thomas Combes for his Expences during his Residence here, amounting to two hundred & Sixty four (264. –. –) Pagodas which they are of opinion is a very exorbitant Charge, & fifty (50 – –) Pagodas is full as much as Mr. Combes's necessary Expences can have amounted to, AGREED therefore that that sum, & no more be paid him.

Money advanc'd Vizt. AGREED that the following Advances be made out of Cash Vizt.

To the Paymr. To the Paymaster for the Charges of that Employ one thousand, three hundred and fifteen Pagodas, twenty eight fanams, and thirty four Cash (1315. 28. 34).

Military Paymr. To the Military Paymaster, to pay the Military three thousand (3000. –. –) Pagodas.

Rents paid in on accot the follows. Farms. Beetle & Tobacco. Linga Chittee, & Kellava Chittee Beetle & Tobacco Farmers pay in one thousand three hundred & thirty three Pagodas, Twelve fanams (1333. 12. –) for two months rent of that Cowle due the 1st. Instant.

Arrack & Wine Licence. Pitloor Vencata Kistnah, & Permal Kellava Chittee, Farmers of the Arrack and Wine Licence pay in Six hundred & sixty six Pagodas Twenty four fanams (666. 24. –) for two Months rent of that Cowle due the 1st. Instant.

Measuring duty. Pitloor Vencata Kistnah, & Kellava Chitty, Farmers of the Measuring Duty, pay in five hundred (500) Pagodas, for six Months rent of that Cowle, due the 1st. Instant.

Town Brokerage. Pitloor Vencata Kistnah & Kellava Chittee, Farmers of the Town Brokerage pay in three hundred and fifty Pagodas (350 – –) for six Months rent of that Cowle, due the 1st. Instant.

THOS. SAUNDERS.
CHAS. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR. WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.

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EXTRAORDINARY EXPENCES in the PAYMRS : ACCOT : are in the following Particulars, Febry. 28th. 1753.

CHARGES GARRISON.

Oil allow'd to Chs. Knapton for 19 Mo. not p'd before	Ps. 7	33	—		
William Kennedy, Surgeons Mate, paid his Wages from 1st. April 1752, to Ulto. Janry. 1753	115	14	76		
				123	11	76
CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY				391	21	30
REPAIRS				545	2	22
FORTIFICATIONS				844	28	30
MATERIALS Supplyd Mr. Brohier, for the Use of Fortifications & Repairs				2744	31	7
St. THOME &ca. Villages				24	31	20
POONAMALEE &ca. Villages				145	33	60
FORT MARLBOROUGH				176	11	27
			PAGODAS.	4996	27	32

ACCOUNT SALARY due to the Honourable Companys Covenanted Servants from 25th. Septemr. 1752, to 25th. March 1753.

	Mo.	D.	₱. annº.	£	s	d	£	s	d	P	F	C
Thomas Saunders Esqr. Governour			200	100	—	—						
Gratuity			100	50	—	—						
							150	—	—	375	—	—
Charles Boddam 2d. of Council			100				50	—	—	125	—	—
Henry Powney 3d.			70				35	—	—	87	18	—
Alexr. Wynch 4th.			50				25	—	—	62	18	—
John Smith 5th.			40				20	—	—	50	—	—
Charles Bourchier Senr. Mercht.			40	20	—	—						
Gratuity as Secretary			10	5	—	—						
							25	—		62	18	—
Willm. Percival Junr. Mercht. to 18th. January	3	22	30	9	6	8						
Senr. from 18th. Janry.	2	8	40	7	11	1						
							16	17	9	42	7	70
Robert Clive Junr. Mercht. to 12th Febry.	4	17	30									
John Walsh Dº.	—	—	30	—	—	—	11	8	4	28	19	40
Hugh Norris, Factor, to 1st. Decemr.	2	6	15	2	15	—	15	—	—	37	18	—
Junr. Mercht. from 1st. Decr.	3	24	30	9	12	—						
							12	7	—	30	31	40
Alexr. Baird Factor, to 1st Decr.	2	6	15	2	15	—						
Junr. Mercht. from 1st. Decr.	3	24	30	9	12	—						
							12	7	—	30	31	40
Edward Edwards, Factor			15	7	10	—						
Gratuity as Assay Mr.			80	40	—	—						
							47	10	—	118	27	—
Henry Vansittart, Factor			15	7	10	—						
Gratuity as Translator			30	15	—	—						
							22	10	—	56	9	—
Richard Fairfield, Factor			15	7	10	—						
Gratuity as Sub Accomptt.			100	50	—	—						
							57	10	—	143	27	—
Charles Turner, Factor			15				7	10	—	18	27	—
Josias Dupre Dº.			15				7	10	—	18	27	—
James Alexander Dº.			15				7	10	—	18	27	—
John Smith Dº.			15				7	10	—	18	27	—
John Lewin Smith Dº.			15				7	10	—	18	27	—
				Carried Over ..			538	—	1	1345	—	30

ACCOUNT SALARY due to the Honourable Companys Covenanted Servants from 25th. Septemr. 1752, to 25th. March 1753– *cont.*

		M°.	D.	℔. Ann.		£	s	d	P	F	C
					Brought Over ..	538	—	1	1345	—	30
Samuel Tatem	Factor. to 11th October..	—	16	15	..	—	13	4	1	24	—
Danl. Morse	Do.			15	....	7	10	—	18	27	—
Charles Simpson	Writer			5	....	2	10	—	6	9	—
George Stratton	Do.			5	....	2	10	—	6	9	—
Mathew Clarke	Do.			5	....	2	10	—	6	9	—
James Bourchier	Do.			5	....	2	10	—	6	9	—
Henry Brooke	Do.			5	....	2	10	—	6	9	—
John Calland	Do.			5	....	2	10	—	6	9	—
Richd. Brickenden	Do.			5	....	2	10	—	6	9	—
John Whitehill	Do.			5	....	2	10	—	6	9	—
Joseph Sommers	Do.			5	....	2	10	—	6	9	—
Claud Russell	Do.			5	....	2	10	—	6	9	—
George Dolben	Do.			5	....	2	10	—	6	9	—
John Percival	Do.			5	....	2	10	—	6	9	—
Thomas Rumbold	Do.			5	....	2	10	—	6	9	—
The Revd. Mr. Palk	*Chaplain .. ..*			100	....	50	—	—	125	—	—
Andrew Munro	*Surgeon .. ..*			36	....	18	—	—	45	—	—
Robert Turing	Do.			36	....	18	—	—	45	—	—
		@	s. 8	℔ Pagoda	....	£ 664	13	5	1661	24	30

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ERRORS EXCEPTED
℔ HENRY POWNEY.
Accomptant.

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26th. Sail'd the Success Gally, Peter Duncan, for Bencoolen, Batavia and China, & Mr. Thos. Combes Passenger for Fort Marlbro'.

28th. Sail'd Sloop Messaree, Philip Da Sylva, for Sadrass.

31st. Receiv'd by Peons Genl. Letter from Vizagapatam dated 14th. Instt.

April 1st. Arriv'd the Hon'ble Companys Ships Godolphin Capt. Wm. Hutchinson, & Prince George, Capt. Edward Burman from Fort St. David, with a Genl. Letter from the Depy. Govr. & Council there.

At a Consultation

Present

Monday the 2d. Thomas Saunders Esqr: Govr: Presidt.
Charles Boddam. Henry Powney.
Alexr: Wynch. John Smith.

Last Consultation read & sign'd.

General Letters read Vizt.

Genl. Letter from Vizagapatam read. No. 60 From the Chief & Council at Vizagapatam dated 14th. Ulto. acknowledging the receipt of our letter & Supply of fifty thousand (50,000) Arcot Rupees ℔ Vizagapatam Snow, & advising that their Merchants have brought in but very little Cloth since the last sent us, which they say is occasion'd by the Dearness of Cotton & Want of Copper Money, & that they cannot promise what quantity they can furnish by August also enclosing Cash Account for February.

Genl. Letter from Fort St. David read. No. 61 From the Deputy Govr. & Council of Fort St. David dated 30th. Ulto. in answer to ours by the Godolphin acknowledging the receipt of the Treasure sent them, which they assure us they will disburse only where immediate occasion may require, that they have no Camp Kettles in Stores, but some are making, which they will send us when finished, & shall pay for the Blackwood Furniture as we direct, that they have appointed Mr. Henry Eustace Johnson under the Secretary, & hope that Branch will in future be conducted more to our Satisfaction.

Bengal wrote to. Genl. Letter to the Presidt. & Council of Bengal, dated this day read, approv'd, & sign'd acquainting them with the disposition of the Admi. Vernon, Bombay Castle, Chesterfield, & Godolphin, that the late arrival here of those ships, will in all Probability render their Gaining the Passage doubtful, in which should they fail the disappointment to our Hon'ble Masters will be very great, especially as we were prevented in our design of sending home a Ship in September, that therefore we desire in future, they will dispatch the January Ships to us as early as the Weather will permit, that we observed by the Lists of Tonnage, that the Bombay Castle, & Chesterfield had more than Charter Party Salt Petre on board, however as they mention'd nothing of it to us, & the Commanders could give us no positive information, We Computed it as Part of their Tonnage, that we were also in the dark for want of advice, whether the said Ships had their St. Helena Tonnage on board or not, Capts. Cooke, & Carter indeed satisfied us they had, but Capt. Browne was uncertain, we therefore desire they will be more particular in their Advices; That we have receiv'd the Packing Stuff, Baftaes* &ca. also 98 Chests of Gunpowder, & request a further supply by September if procurable, we were doubtful whether Capt. Carter deliver'd us the full Quantity of Gunpowder, as neither Invoice nor Bill of Lading was sent us till he produc'd Mr. Drakes Letter to him to receive it

* See note at foot of page 36.

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on board, we desire an Invoice may be sent us that we may credit their Presidency; That at the desire of Mr. Hunter we request they will supply him, by a Sloop to the Negrais with Sundrys as ℔ List Enclosed, that the King of Persia's Ship, they mention to us, which the Presidt. & Council of Bombay had warn'd them not to purchase, was before we receiv'd their Advices bought by Mr. Pigot at Vizagapatam, however we hope no ill Consequences will ensue, that we shall send them what Redwood they indent for, & as we have (5000) Baggs of Salt Petre on hand, we shall not want any more, that Considering our distress we were surpriz'd the Swiss Detachment, ℔ Godolphin was sent without Arms, & we desire they will spare us as many as possible.

Capt. Mainwaring of the Colchester desires to be supply'd with some Guns, Powder, & money.

Letter from Captt. Roger Mainwaring Commander of the Colchester read (as Enter'd hereafter) requesting to be supplied with eight Barrels of Gun powder, and four Six Pounder Guns, also to be advanc'd the sum of five thousand, five hundred Pagodas to refit his Ship, AGREED that the said sum be advanc'd him for that purpose on the Charter Party terms, & that he be also supply'd with the Gunpowder he desires, as he spar'd the Company some at Fort St. David, but as it is intended to dispatch that Ship in a day or two with Mr. Hunter, & the detaining her till the Cannon can be got ready may be of disservice, the Secretary is directed to acquaint Captt. Mainwaring, we shall defer furnishing him with them, till his return, unless it be immediately necessary to have them now.

Resolution thereon.

Letter from Geo : Baker Chief Mate of the Porto Bello Sloop read.

Letter from George Baker, Chief Mate of the Porto Bello Sloop read, setting forth his long & faithful Services to the Company, without any opportunity of improving his Fortune, & that he has exerted himself in the execution of his Duty, yet he has not been promoted according to his Seniority in the Service, submitting his Case to the Consideration of the Board; Altho' there is not any manner of Objection to Mr. Baker, yet as no Opportunity now offers of Gratifying him, ORDER'D that the said Letter do lye on the Table.

Order'd to lye on the Table.

Godolphin to be survey, if fit Goods to be sent on board, & the usual order & caution deliverd.

The Godolphin being ready to take in Goods, ORDER'D that Captains Edward Burman, Hamilton Parkinson, and John Heriot do go on board to survey her, and report to the Board, whether she be in a proper condition to take in her Cargo for England, And if on such survey she shall appear to be in good order, the Export Warehousekeeper is directed to begin to load her, and the Secretary to serve Captain Hutchinson with the usual orders for taking in Goods, Caution against Fire, putting good Dunnage under the Bales and not detaining the Boats on board.

Prince George to be loaded, & dispatch'd to the West Coast & from thence to Batavia for Timber & Plank.

Agreeable to a Resolution in Consultation the 26th. February of sending the Prince George to the Wt. Coast, with a Cargo of Rice & Salt, ORDER'D that the Export Warehousekeeper do Compleat her Loading as soon as possible that she may be dispatchd thither, & as there is a demand for Timber & Plank, for the Companys use, 'tis AGREED that after delivering the said Cargo at Fort Marlbro' the Captain be order'd to proceed to Batavia for such a Cargo and return hither.

Genl. Letter to Fort Marlboro' read.

The Subject of a General Letter to the Depy. Govr. & Council of Fort Marlborough being now agreed on, ORDER'D that the Draught thereof with the other necessary Dispatches be prepar'd.

The Presidt. reads the Cash Account for last Month, Ballance remaining now Compar'd with the Chest, Twenty seven thousand, eight hundred, twenty two Current Pagodas, thirty fanams, and Sixty Two Cash, (27822. 30. 62) and ten thousand & five (10005) Madrass Pagodas, which is Carried forward.

Impo. W.H. K. pays money on his running Accot.

Henry Powney Import Warehousekr. pays in nine thousand (9000) Pagodas on his running Account.

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Cash advanc'd the Paymr &

AGREED that seven thousand, one hundred, and thirty one Pagodas twenty fanams & thirty seven Cash (7131. 20. 37) be advanc'd the Paymaster for the Charges of that Employ.

Military Paymr.

And one thousand seven hundred & Eighty nine Pags. seventeen fanams. & five Cash (1789. 17. 5) to the Military Paymaster for sundry Disbursements.

THOS: SAUNDERS.
CHAS. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR. WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.

TO THE HON'BLE THOS. SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDT. & GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HON'BLE SIR & SIRS

The Ship Colchester having in the late Storm lost four of her Main Deck Guns, I have therefore to desire you would supply me with the like number of six Pounders, likewise eight Barrells of Gunpowder, and I have now to request of your Honr. &ca. the sum of five thousand five hundred Pagodas, to enable me to defray the Charges of refitting the said Ship.

I have the honour to be
HON'BLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedt. Humble Servant

ROGER MAINWARING.

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28TH. MARCH 1753.

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Fort St. George, March 1753

Madrass Pagodas,

Dr			Cr		
1st.	To Ballance brought from last Months Account	10,005 — —	31st.	By Ballance carried to next Months Accot.	10,005 — —

Per Contra

Errors Excepted.
Thomas Saunders.

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THE HON'BLE UNITED COMPANYS CASH.

DR.

		Pags.	F.	C.
1	To Ballance brought from last Months Account	34405	33	52
5	To Henry Powney Import Warehousekr. receiv'd of him on account of Rupees sold	15789	17	4
—	To the Estate of John Churchey Decd. receiv'd of the Hon'ble Thos. Saunders Esqr. as ℔ Consultation of this date	460	4	60
—	To Bills of Exchange receiv'd for the follows. Setts of this date drawn on the Court of Directors at 90 days sight & s. 7 d. 8 ℔ Pagoda Payable as follow.			

Sett.		£	s.	d.	P.	F.	C.			
1	To M. Henrietta Maria Massey, or order, Value of Mr. Henry Vansittart on Account of Francis William Massey.	120	—	—	313	1	44			
1	To John Thornton, or order, Value of Charles Bourchier, on account of Samuel Banks ..	50	—	—	130	15	52	..		
2	Setts amounting to ..	£ 170	—	—	or			443	17	16
—	To Acct. Currt. London receiv'd of the Hon'ble Thos. Saunders Esqr. and Mr. Henry Vansittart, Attorneys to Robt. Turing on acct. the Estate of Major William Kinneer Decd. & for which three Certificates of this date are given them							2327	22	61
	Carried Over ...							53426	23	33

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		Pags.	F.	C.
1	By John Smith Military Paymr. advanc'd him to pay the Military	4315	28	34
5	By Charles Boddam Paymr. advanc'd him for the Charges of his Employ	5763	5	55
—	By Alexr. Wynch Storekr. advanc'd him for sundry Disbursements	1000	—	—
—	By John Smith Rental Genl. & Scavenger advanc'd him for the Charges of his Employ ..	100	—	—
—	By Charles Boddam Commissary advanc'd him to defray the Expences of the Troops abroad.	18789	17	4
12	By Alexr. Wynch Storekr. advanc'd him for Disbursements	789	17	5
—	By Sloop Dragon paid for to her Owners ..	300	—	—
—	By Fort St David paid a Bill of Exchange drawn on us by the Deputy Govr. & Council dated 3d. Instant, in favour of Mr. Alexr. Wynch for money paid into the Hon'ble Compys. Cash there	10 0	—	—
13	By Fort St. David, paid the following Bills of Exchs. drawn on us by the Depy. Govr. & Council, for money paid into the Hon'ble Companys Cash there Vizt.			

1	dated 3d. Instant in favour of Mr. Henry Powney for A.Rs. 36000 @ 380 ℔ % Ps.	9473	24	51
1	7th. the Hon'ble Thos. Saunders	2000	—	—
		11473	24	51
19	By Alexr. Wynch Storekr. advanc'd him to pay for Timber & Plank purchased, & other Disbursements	3657	32	16
—	By Alexr. Wynch Military Storekr. advanc'd him for Disbursements	2500	—	—
—	By Charles Boddam Commissary advanc'd him to defray the Expences of the Troops abroad	5263	5	55
	Carried Over ...	54952	22	60

Dr. THE HONBLE UNITED COMPANYS CASH—*cont.*

	Brought Over .. Ps.			53426 23 33
12	To the Estate of William Farrer Decd. receiv'd of Capt. Joseph Bond of the Arcot Snow on acct. the said Estate, as ℔ Consultation of this date			65 28 —
—	To Henry Powney Impo. Wareho. kr. recd. of him on acct. of Rupees sold			9473 24 51
—	To Acct. Currt. London receiv'd for Permission of Passage to England, Vizt.			
	Of Mrs. Elizabeth Cockell ..	Pags. 30	— —	
	Of Mrs. Margaret Clive.	On the Bombay Castle. 30	— —	
	Of Mrs. Mary Colefax ..	30	— —	
	Of Mrs. Cornelius Goodwin ..	30	— —	
				120 — —
9	To Henry Powney Import Warehousekr. receiv'd of him as follows, Vizt.			
	On account of Rupees sold Pags.	5263	5 55	
	On his running Account ..	11000	— —	
				16263 5 55
—	To Henry Powney Sea Customer receiv'd of him on his running Acct.			1000 — —
24	To Acct. Currt. London receiv'd of Mr. Shaw & family for permission of Passage to England on the Chesterfield			60 — —
26	To John Smith Land Customer receiv'd of him the Ballce. of that Account for last Month..			908 22 17
—	To Linga Chittee & Kellava Chittee, Beetle & Tobacco Farmers receiv'd two Months rent due the 1st. Instant			1333 12 —
—	To Pitloor Vencata Kistnah & Permal Kellava Chittee Farmers of the Arrack & Wine			
	Carried Over .. Ps.			82651 7 76

PER CONTRA—*cont.* Cr.

	Brought Over .. Ps.			54952 22 60
26th	By Charles Boddam Pamr. advanc'd him for the Charges of that Employ			1315 28 34
—	By Expedition to the Negrais, paid Mr. Combes on account of his Expences during his stay here			50 — —
—	By Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master paid him the Ballance of that account for last month			26 22 —
				56345 1 14
	Carried Over .. P			56345 1 14

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THE HONBLE UNITED COMPANYS CASH—*cont.*

		Dr.		
	Brought Over Ps.	82651	7	76
	Licence receiv'd two Months rent due the 1st. Instant	666	24	—
26	To Pitloor Vencata Kistnah, & Kellava Chittee, Farmers of the Measuring Duty receiv'd six Months rent of that Cowle due the 1st. Instant	500	—	—
25	To Pitloor Vencata Kistnah, & Kellava Chittee, Farmers of the Town Brokerage, receiv'd three Months Rent of that Cowle due the 1st. Instant	350	—	—
	Star or Currt. Pags. ..	84167	31	76

PER CONTRA—*cont.*

		Cr.		
	Brought Over .. Ps.	56345	1	14
31st.	By Ballance carried to next Months Account.	27822	30	62
	Star or Currt. Pags. ..	84167	31	76

ERRORS EXCEPTED
℔ THOMAS SAUNDERS.

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Arriv'd Snow Recovery, William Swallow from Bengal. 4

Sail'd Sloop London, Henry Karr, for Bengal with a Genl. Letter to the Presidt. & Council of Fort William dated the 2d. —

Salid the Honble Companys Ship Colchester Roger Mainwaring
Snow Arcot,...Joseph Bond
Sloop Porto Bello, Wm. Grierson
Sloop Fortune, Natl. Hammond. } to the Eastward. 5

Sign'd & Sent Genl. Letter to the Dutch Chief &ca. at Pullicat (in Pursuance of the Letter receiv'd from Negapatam, & read in Consultation the 19th. Ultº. wherein they tell us to remit the amount of the Charges of refitting the Delawar at Gallé to the Gentlemen at Pulicat) desiring they will let us know in what money & at what Exchange we shall send it to them. 6

Receiv'd by Catamaran Genl. Letter from Fort St. David dated 2d. Instt. —

... by Peons Genl. Letter from the Dutch Chief at Gallé datd 6th February, also Genl. Letter from Capt. Thos. Winter dated at Gallé the 16th February. —

Arriv'd Ship Dos Achoia Sampoor Madoss from Pegu. 8
...Sloop Phoenix, William Bonnedy from Bengal, —
...Sloop Success, Thos. Wooly, from Bengal, & Arracan. —

Receiv'd by Tappies Genl. Letter from Fort St. David dated 4th. Instt. —

Arriv'd Ship Alimadet, Tamyah Syrang, from Vatada. 9

... Bringantine Facaradmangel Vibourahim from Bengal.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOS: SAUNDERS ESQR: GOVR: PRESIDT:. MONDAY THE 9TH.
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXR: WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.

Last Consultation read & sign'd.

Genl. Letters read Vizt.

Nº. 62. & 65. From the Deputy Govr. & Council of Fort St. David, the first dated 2d. Instant serving only to inclose Invoice of Jewells &ca. for Presents; the other dated 4th. Instant enclosing Consultations & other monthly Papers for February also List of Stores supplied the Prince George, and acquainting us that having frequently but ineffectually pressed the Renters of the Trevendaporum Country for half an Years rent due on that Cowle, they lately presented a Petition setting forth their Inability to discharge the same, by reason of the Losses & Damages sustain'd by the Morattas, account whereof they deliver in, and requesting therefore to be excus'd the said Debt, which Petition & Account the Gentlemen at Fort St. David inclose to us and desire our directions thereon. Genl. Letter from Fort St. David read.

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Gen. Letter. from Galle read.

N°. 63 From the Dutch Chief &c^{a}. Council at Gallé dated 6th. February, acquainting us of the Arrival there of Cap^{t}. Dominicus, & that they have afforded him all the Assistance in their Power to refit his Ship the Delawar, which is now so well Compleated that she may with safety proceed on her Voyage, desiring we will settle the Acco^{t}. Charges thereof with the Governor of Negapatam.

Genl. Letter from Capt. Winter of the Delawar read.

N°. 64 From M^{r}. Tho^{s}. Winter, late Chief Mate and now Commander of the Hoñble Companys Ship Delawar dated at Gallé the 16th. January, acquainting us that Captain Abraham Dominicus late Commander of the said Ship dyed there the 12th. January, that he has dispatch'd the Dragon Sloop from thence with 36 Chests of Arms, Part of the Delawars Madagascar Cargo, Bill of Lading for which he encloses, that the Governour of Gallé has been particularly kind in giving all possible Assistance in refitting the said Ship, for the Charges whereof amounting to One thousand & Seventy five (1075) Rix Dollars, Cap^{t}. Dominicus drew on us the 8th. February, payable at three days sight to the Governour of Negapatam, assuring us of his Care of the Ship & Cargo, & that he intended sailing the next day being the 17th. February.

Letter from Capt. Wm. Hutchinson, requesting 1200 Bags of Salt Petre to stiffen his Ship read.

Letter from Cap^{t}. William Hutchinson of the Godolphin read (as enter'd hereafter) requesting Twelve hundred Baggs of Salt Petré on half Freight to stiffen his Ship, as the Season grows late, & hard Gales of Wind may be well expected before he gets out of the Bay, AGREED that the said Request be complied with.

Complied with.

Report survey of the Godolphin read.

Pursuant to an order of last Consultation a Report Survey of the Godolphin is now deliver'd in, and read (as enter'd hereafter) in consequence whereof the Export Warehousek^{r}. acquaints the Board, that he has begun to send Bales on board the said Ship.

Letter from Captain Burman, relating to the seizure of the surprize sloop at Padang ad.

Letter from Cap^{t}. Edward Burman dated this day read, (serving to introduce a deposition of Joseph Bond late Master of the Surprize Sloop) Containing a Narration of the said Sloops being fitted out from Fort Marlbro' on a Voyage to *Sinkell & †Laboo, but thro' want of Water touched at ‡Priaman, where she was seiz'd by order of the Gov^{r}. & Council at §Padang, to which Deposition is annex'd an Invoice of the said Sloops Cargo & requesting on behalf of himself & the other Concern'd, that we will make such representations in relation to the Premisses as we shall think proper; ORDER'D that the said Letter, deposition, and Invoice, be enter'd after the minutes of this Consultation for the Perusal of our Hoñble Masters and AGREED that a Gen^{l}. Letter be wrote to the Gov^{r}. of Batavia representing the illegality of the said Seizure, & insisting on ample Restitution; that at the same time We acknowledge the Civilities shewn to David Hunter Esq^{r}. at Batavia, and desire the Gov^{r}. will assist Cap^{t}. Burman in procuring a Cargo of Timber, & Plank for the Company's Account.

The Gov^{r}. of Batavia to be wrote to.

Petition of Domingo Saul Pirro read.

A Petition of Domingo Saul Pirro, a Greek Merchant read (as Enter'd hereafter) setting forth that sundry Accounts being now depending between him & Philip Jacob Dormieuse Merchant at Sadrass, he has frequently offer'd and Solicited the said Dormieuse to submit the same to Arbitration, which he absolutely refuses, and (as he is well inform'd) has wrote to the Dutch Consul at Bussorah, to arrest & seize the Petitioners Goods sent to that Port on the Ship Brill, & he is apprehensive will take the like measures in other Ports of India, praying that a Certificate may be granted him under the Companys Seal, that he has offer'd to settle his Accounts with the said Dormieuse by Arbitration which he has refus'd, & therefore that the Petitioner may be suffer'd to transact

* *Singkell* a town on the west of Sumatra, at the mouth of the largest river on that coast.
† Perhaps *Labuan* an island on the north-western coast of Borneo.
‡ A town and district on the west coast of Sumatra, north of Padang.
§ A settlement on the west coast of Sumatra.

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his business, wherever occasion may require without molestation from the said Dormieuse; RESOLVED that it is improper to Comply with the said Petition as the Board are not vested with any legal Authority to determine matters of Property, nor have any right to interfere in disputes of this nature, in such a manner as to prevent a Creditor from taking what measures he may think proper, in places not subject to the Companys Jurisdiction for the recovery of Debts due to him. Resolution thereon.

The Gentlemen at Bengal having indented for two hundred Tons or upwards of Redwood AGREED that by the Don Carlos, shortly bound thither as large a Part of that Quantity be consign'd them as she can take in, & the said Ship being also to touch at Vizagapatam, AGREED that twenty five thousand Madrass Pagodas be sent on her for a supply to the Northern Settlements, of which Two thousand is for the use of Vizagapatam, Ten thousand for Ingeram, & Ten thousand for Madapollam, and there being now but Ten thousand and Madrass Pagodas in Cash, RESOLVED that fifteen thousand more be purchased for the said Purposes. Redwood sent to the Bay on the Don Carlos.

AGREED that each of the Confiscated Houses have a separate Head, in the Genl. Books, that the Rents receiv'd for the same be carried to their respective Credit, & the Charges of Repairs to their Debit. the confiscated Houses to have seperate Heads in the Books.

Draught of a Genl. Letter to the Depy. Govr. and Council of Fort Marlborough, also draught of Capt. Burmans Dispatch are now read & approv'd. draught of a Genl. Letter to Fort Marlbro' & Capt. Burman's dispatch read.

Henry Powney Import Warehousekr. pays in Ten thousand (10000) Pagodas on his running Account.

AGREED that one years interest amounting to three hundred & sixty (360) Pagodas, due 21st. February last, on the late Presidt. & Councils Bond for the use of the Roman Female Orphan House for six thousand (6000) Pagodas @ 6 ℔ ct. ℔ annum be paid to the Revd. Padre Severini.

THOS: SAUNDERS.
CHAS: BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR. WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.

TO THE HON'BLE THOS. SAUNDERS ESQR.

PRESIDT. & GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HON'BLE SIR & SIRS

In Complyance with your Orders we have been on board the Godolphin & survey'd her, & upon a strict Examination find her to be very tight, & in a good Condition to receive the Companys Cargo. We are

HON'BLE SIR & SIRS,

Your Honrs. most Obedt. & most Humble Servants

EDWD. BURMAN.
HAMN. PARKINSON.
JOHN HERIOT.

FORT ST. GEORGE
APRIL 7TH. 1750

——FORT ST. GEORGE, APRIL 1753——

To the Hon'ble Thos. Saunders Esqr.

Presidt. & Govr. &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

Hon'ble Sir & Sirs

As I understand your Honr. &ca. intend to leave near 200 Tons of the Godolphins Tonnage to be fill'd up at Fort Marlbro'. & the Season being so late that it is very reasonable to apprehend we may meet with some hard Weather, before we get out of the Bay. I think it absolutely necessary she should have a much larger Quantity of Dead Weight in her Bottom, than the forty Tons of Salt Petre you have put on board me, agreeable to the Terms of her Charter Party, & therefore request you will please to supply me with twelve hundred Baggs more on half Freight to stiffen her & make her fit for the Sea, I remain with respect

Hon'ble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedt. Servant
William Hutchinson.

Fort St. George
7th. April 1753.

To the Hon'ble Thos. Saunders Esqr.

Presidt. & Govr. &ca. Council of Fort St. George

Hon'ble Sir & Sirs

Whereas a Sloop, call'd the Surprize Joseph Bond Master was some time since seiz'd by the Dutch (as I conceive) in a very illegal manner, I therefore take the Liberty (in behalf of myself & the rest of the Gentlemen at Fort Marlbro' who were concern'd in the said Sloop) to present to your Honr. &ca. Council the Deposition of the said Joseph Bond, to which is annexed a Copy of the Invoice of Goods laden on board her; besides which your Honr. &ca. will please to observe that the Sloop with her Stores, Impress, and Provisions (when she sail'd from Fort Marlbro') amounted to three thousand two hundred Spanish Dollars, or thereabout, the exact Price I cannot affirm the Accounts being at that Place, As Your Honr. &ca. Council will by the aforesaid Deposition plainly perceive the manner of the Sloop being seized, likewise what small Reparation the General of Batavia has offer'd for such unjust & unprecedented a Proceeding, I therefore most humbly request that your Honr. &ca. Council will take this matter into your Consideration, and represent it in such manner as you shall think proper, I am

Hon'ble Sir & Sirs

Your Honrs. most Obedt. & most humble Servant
Edward Burman

Fort St. George
April the 9th. 1753

FORT MARLBROUGH
JULY 20TH. 1751.

INVOICE of sundry Goods laden on board the Surprize Sloop Joseph Bond Commander, & go qs'd to him, being on account & risque of the Owners of the said Sloop, Mark'd & Number'd as ℔ Margin Partrs. Vizt.

	No.	Bales.									
E B	No. 5·6	2	Long Cloth Blue	8 Corge	@	48	—	—	℔ Co.	384	—	—
WK	1·2	2	Do. do. do.	8 do.	@	50	—	—		400	—	—
L C O		2	Do. do. White	3 do.	@	95	—	—		285	—	—
L C C		4	Do. do. do.	5. do. 17 P's	@	95	—	—		555	3	—
E B		1	*SALLAMPORES BLUE	3 do.	@	46	—	—		138	—	—
S L B	5	1	Do. Do.	3 do.	@	51	1	—		153	3	—
(S)	6	1	†SOOT ROMALLS	5 do.	@	31	2	40		158	—	—
LCOW		1	LONG CLOTH WHITE ..	27 P's		..				135		—
		1	do. do. BLUE ..	Qur. P's 2 Co.		..				66	—	—
	12·3		‡ALLEJARS	1 Bundle 1 do.		..				50	—	—
(IH)	5·6	5	LONG CLOTH BLUE ..	20 Co.	@	50	—	—		1000	—	—
I H	1	1	Do. Do. Do. ..	4 do.	@	60	—	—		240	—	—
I H	4	1	§BETEELAS	6 do.	@	33	—	—		198	—	—
		22	Bales.									
EB (WH)			OPHIUM 2 Chests			..				476	—	—
			Do. 3 do.									
			5 Chests.			..				723	—	—
			GOLD THREAD 2 Chests conts. 104 Boxes			..				104	—	—
			Pecul. decims.									
			IRON 103 Bars Pzs. 44·897 @ 6½ Rix Dollr. ℔ P.	291	40	—					..	
			SALT 10 Bata. Coyan — —	125	—	—					..	
			PLANK 2 Inches 8 ..	8	—	—					..	
			SHEATHING BOARDS 50 @ 14 ℔ 100	7	—	—					..	
			‖TAFFATAES 47 Ps. @ 110 ℔ Co.	258	24	—					..	
			CLASP KNIVES 33 dozn. @ 1⅜ ℔ dozn.	45	18	—					..	
				735	34	@	130	℔	100 Spanish is	565	3	54
			ERRORS EXCEPTED						℔	5,632	1	54
			℔ EDWARD BURMAN.									
			JOHN HOOD.									

* *Salempoory* or *Sallampore* a kind of printed, or spotted cotton cloth, Sometimes white—Hobson-Jobson.
† *Roomall* or *Roomaul*, a towel or handkerchief—Hobson-Jobson.
‡ *Alleja* or *A ejar* appears to be a silk cloth—Hobson-Jobson.
§ *Bettela* or *Beteela*, the name of a kind of muslin—Hobson-Jobson.
‖ *Taffaties* or *Taffataes* a name applied to plain woven silks with a lustre or gloss—Hobson-Jobson.

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JOSEPH BOND late Master of the Surprize Sloop, now at Fort Saint George on the Coast of Choromandel in the East Indies maketh oath as follows, that is to say, He being at Fort Marlborough on the Coast of Sumatra on or about the third day of August, which was in the Year of our Lord, One thousand seven hundred & fifty one with the said Sloop received from her Owners on board thereof sundry Goods, Wares & Merchandizes to the amount of five thousand six hundred & thirty two Spanish Dollars, one Sooca, & fifty four Pice as by the Invoice thereof, a Copy of which is hereunto annexed, as does fully & at large appear, and he according to Orders saild with the said Sloop & Cargo for Sinkell & Laboo, and through scarcity of Water & Provisions was under a necessity of Stopping at Priaman to get a supply, where on the third day of October in the same Year, the said Sloop with her said Cargo was seized by order of the Gov^{r}. & Council of Padang, and this Deponent was kept Prisoner on board of a Padgalong being a Sloop of War belonging to the Netherlands Company, and thence carried into Padang Road, from whence they convey'd him, this Deponent, in their Boat on Shoar [*sic*] under a Guard of two Soldiers, & then before the Governour & Council, who desir'd to see this Deponents Pass, which he shew'd to them, & the said Gov^{r}. after the reading of it told this Deponent, that the Gov^{r}. of Bencoolen had no right to give a Pass to Sinkell, assigning for reason that it was their Port, & for that, & no other Cause the said Sloop & him, this Deponent, were detain'd.

On the seventh day of the same Month of October, He this Deponent was sent for to attend the said Governour & Council, at which time they inform'd him that they had determin'd to send him, this Deponent, to Batavia as Passenger on board the said Sloop which they with her Cargo had made Seizure of, or words to that or the like Effect, further desiring that he, this Deponent, would give them an Inventory of her Cargo, which he accordingly did, agreeable to the Invoice annexed, as likewise an account of what had been taken out of the Cargo to buy Rice for the People to the amount of fifteen or sixteen Dollars, & sign'd the same, & this Deponent further saith, that on or about the eleventh day of the same Month, He the said Gov^{r}. of Padang sent for him this Deponent to go on board the said Sloop, together with the *Fiscall & some other Gentlemen, to examine the Goods that were on board of her, which He, this Deponent refus'd, & for this Reason, to wit, that as he had been kept from the said Sloop, for the space of Eight days, he was very dubious, whether or no some part of her Cargo might not be embezeled, and this Deponent further saith that on the Twenty third of the same Month, he was sent on board the said Sloop to be carried a Passenger to Batavia, where on the fifth day of November then next ensuing, he, this Deponent arriv'd, & went on Shoar with the Master, in the Sloops Boat, & the next day went on board an English Sloop then in Batavia Road & belonging to Fort Marlborough aforesaid with an Intent to get thither, & to give his this Deponents Employers, the Owners of the said Sloop a just & true Account of all Transactions & Proceedings that had happen'd with respect to the said Sloop, Her Cargo, and Himself And this Deponent further saith that on the Twenty fifth day of the same Month, he was at Batavia sent for on Shoar to see the Goods that were put into the Warehouse, & to put his, the Deponents, seal thereon, to which he replied as before with this Addition that he had given a just Inventory of what Goods were on board to the Gov^{r}. & Council of Padang, & to the Truth of which he was ready to make oath, And this Deponent further saith that on the Twenty first day of March in the Year One thousand seven hundred & fifty two He this Deponent arriv'd at Fort Marlbro' & acquaint ed his Owners of every Particular that had happen'd to him, the said Sloop, & her Cargo, since the seizure was made, and this Deponent further saith, that on the Twenty second day of May then next, his Owners sent him again to Batavia to know from the General there his final determination with regard to the said Sloop & her Cargo, and on the second day of June he arrived there, & waited on the General who a few days after told him that he would return the said Sloop & her Cargo, if he, this Deponent, would receive the Cargo as it then was, without having any regard to its State or Condition, as also the said Sloop without

* Dutch *Fiscaal*, Sheriff or Justice of the Peace with police powers—Hobson-Jobson, page 354.

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any Repairs (which lay bulged along side their Wharf at Onroost, and full of Water) or words to that, or the like Effect, to which, this Deponent replied, that he could not Consent to receive the said Cargo, without first taking a view of what Condition it was in, & to which after many Scruples & Objections, He the said General consented to let him, this Deponent, go to the Storehouse where the same was with this restriction that he this Deponent should only take a superficial view of them, but not examine into the Particulars thereof. This Deponent further saith that he accordingly did go, & with the slight examination that he was permitted to make, he saw that there was three Bales wanting, & several others open, & on poizing the several Chests of Ophium in his hands, he on his Oath saith that he doth not beleive there was in the five Chests of Ophium sufficient to fill one, and this Deponent further saith that the Storekr. who went with him to shew him the Goods, put his hand into one of the Ophuim Chests, & took out a large piece of Brick, which, this Deponent carried to the General, at the same time informing him that there was three Bales wanting, & several others open, to which the General answer'd if he, this Deponent did not choose to receive them as they were and give full release of all Demands on account of both the Sloop & her Cargo, He, this Deponent, might let them remain as they were, for that he beleiv'd the Govr. & Council of Bencoolen did not care whether he this Deponent receiv'd them or not, or words to that, or the like Effect.

JOSEPH BOND.

SWORN this third day of April in the Year, one thousand, seven hundred, & fifty three, before me.

CHAS. BODDAM
Justice of the Peace.

TO THE HON'BLE THOS. SAUNDERS ESQR.

PRESIDT. & GOVR. OF FORT ST. GEORGE &CA. COUNCIL

The Petition of Domingo Saul Pirro Greek Mercht. at present residing at Madrass

HUMBLY SHEWETH

That your Petitioner having been employ'd by Mr. Philip Jacob Dormieux Mercht. of Sadrass, as his Factor in a Voyage to Batavia, & several other Transactions, the Accounts whereof remain as yet unsettled, & your Petitioner having used all possible means to come to an Agreement, & settling the said Accounts by Arbitration which has been utterly refus'd, by which your Petitioner has suffer'd & still suffers considerable Losses by being detain'd in this Place. And your Petitioner having sufficient Proof that the said Philip Jacob Dormieux has wrote to Bussora to the Dutch Consul to arrest the Goods & Merchandize sent by your Petitioner to that Port in the Ship Brill, your Petitioner greatly suspected that he will use the same unlawful means in other Ports of India where your Petitioner may go to Carry on a Trade, by making use of several Bonds & Obligations of your Petitioners remaining in his hands against your Petitioner, which the said Philip Jacob Dormieux has refus'd to surrender to your Petitioner.

And whereas your Petitioner now intends to go to the Northern Settlements to prepare and purchase Goods & Merchandize for the next Bussora Voyage, humbly prays your Honr. will be pleas'd to grant him a Certificate under the Honourable Companys Seal that he has at several & Sundry times requested the said Dormieux & his Attorney Thaddeus Aga Perry to Settle their Accounts, & has Petition'd the Worshipful Court of Choultry Justices to oblige the said Dormieux & Thaddeus his Attorney to nominate Arbitrators to determine the Difference between them, but that they obstinately have refused to agree

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to all reasonable terms of Accommodation, & that therefore the said Domingo is not to be molested on any Account by the said Dormieux, or his Attorney in any Port he shall go to, untill their Accounts are settled, which he is ready to do whenever it shall be required by the said Dormieux, or his Attorney in this Place.

And Your Petitioner as in duty bound, shall for ever Pray.

11TH. Receiv'd by Peons Genl. Letter from Puliacat dated 9th. Instant.

— Sail'd the Honble Companys Ship Prince George, Edward Burman for Fort Marlbro', with a Genl. Letter to the Deputy Govr. & Council there, & one to the Gentlemen of Batavia dated Yesterday.

12TH. Sign'd & Sent by Peons Genl. Letter to the Chief & Council of Puliacat with five hundred & Eighty & an half Star Pagodas on account of the Disbursements at Galle' on the Hon'ble Companys Ship Delawar agreeable to what they write us in their Letter receiv'd Yesterday.

Sail'd Snow Good Hope, Jan Bolse for Bengal.

13TH. The Secretary by order of the Presidt. & Council wrote this day to the Deputy Govr. & Council of Fort St. David, desiring them to send up hither the Invoice & Bill of Lading for the Colchesters St. Helena Tonnage with the Letter accompanying it, as it is intended to ship those Stores on the Godolphin.

14TH. Arriv'd Ship Griffin, Joseph Howard, from Bengal.

— Receiv'd ℔ Griffin Genl. Letter from Fort St. David dated 12th. Instt..

— Do. . . . . by Peons Genl. Letter from Puliacat dated 13th Instant.

15TH. Arriv'd Brigantine Sta. Rita, Lawre. Miguel de Vauss, from Acheen.

16TH. Arriv'd the Hon'ble Companys Sloop Dragon, Vallabou, Syrang from Gallé.

— Receiv'd by Tappies Genl. Letter from Fort St. David dated 14th Instant

— Do. by Peons Genl. Letter from Bandarmalanka dated 1st. Instt.

AT A CONSULTATION

MONDAY THE 16TH. *Present*

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVR. PRESIDT.
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXR. WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.

Last Consultation read & sign'd.

General Letters read Vizt.

General Letter from Puliacat read. No. 66 & 67 From the Chief & Council at Puliacat the first dated 9th. Instant, in answer to our Letter of the 6th. desiring we will send them the value of one thousand & seventy five Rix Dollars expended on the Delawar at Gallé in Star Pagodas amounting to five hundred & Eighty & an half, the other dated the 13th. Instant to ours of the 12th. acknowledging the receipt of that sum which we sent them.

General Letter from Fort St. David read. No. 68 & 69 From the Deputy Govr. & Council of Fort St. David, the first dated 12th. Instant enclosing a Report of the Proof of sixty Barrells of Gunpowder made there, advising that they send us on a Country Ship, twenty Camp Kettles, & requesting a supply of one hundred Reams of Cartridge Paper; the other dated 14th. Instant advising that they have drawn on us for Two thousand four hundred & sixty seven Arcot Rupees in favour of the President, Value receiv'd into the Hon'ble Companys Cash of Richard Starke Esqr

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Genl. Letter from Bandarmalanka read.

Nº. 70 From Mr. John Andrews at Bandarmalanka dated 1st. Instant, accompanying the Accounts of that Place for last Month, & desiring we will send him a Bale of Perpetuanoes, & a Pr. of Scales & Triangles.

the follows. Draughts read.

Draughts of the following Genl. Letters are read & approv'd.

Genl. Letter to Bengal.

To the President & Council of Bengal, advising that we have consign'd to them on the Don Carlos four hundred Candys of Redwood & enclosing Indent for Packing Stuff, which we desire they will Comply with by the earliest Conveyances, as we are under some Difficulty, by their not having sent us near half of what we wrote for.

Genl Letter to Vizagapatam.

To the Chief & Council of Vizagapatam acquainting them that by the Don Carlos, we send them such part of their Indent for Stores &cª. as we can spare at present, but cannot send the Gunpowder our Stock being very low, and a supply of Madrass Pagodas five thousand, which we hope will help the Investment that we also Consign to them for the use of Ingeram, & Madapollam Factorys, ten thousand Madrass Pagodas for each, That on this Ship Mr. John Lewin Smith, Factor, takes his Passage, whom we have appointed third & Youngest of Council at Vizagapatam.

Genl. Letter to Ingeram.

To the Resident at Ingeram that we observe with pleasure his having taken possession of Coringa & its Dependencies, & his measures thereon, & hope he has got the Rajahs own Cowle for it; that on revising his turn'd out Cloth in hopes some of it might admit of being taken in at an abatement, we find it so extreamly bad that there has been an absolute necessity of rejecting no less than ninety Bales as wholly unfit for the Company, that we consign to Vizagapatam for the use of Ingeram ten thousand Madrass Pagodas and hope he will give us no reason to Complain in future of his Investment, that we shall in a few days send him the Broad Cloth & Packing Stuff, the Gunpowder & Stationary we cannot spare at present, that Mr. John Calland Writer, whom we have appointed Assistant at Ingeram in the room of Mr. Charles Hopkins takes his Passage on the Don Carlos.

Genl. Letter to Madapollam.

To the Resident at Madapollam that the Bales ℔ George Sloop are safely arriv'd, & we have consign'd for the use of that Settlement ten thousand Madrass Pagodas by the Don Carlos to Vizagapatam, which we hope will enable him to increase That Investment.

Genl. Letter to Negapatam.

To the Governour & Council of Negapatam acquainting them that agreeable to their desire that we would remit to their Servants at Puliacat the amount of what disbursed on the Delawar at Gallé, we wrote to those Gentn. to know in what specie, they would chuse to receive it, & in Consequence of their Answer have sent them the same, being five hundred & eighty & an half Star Pagodas, for which we have their Acknowledgement.

a Bill drawn from Fort St. David to be accepted & paid.

A Bill of Exchange drawn on us by the Depy. Govr. & Council of Fort St. David for two thousand four hundred & sixty seven (2467) Arcot Rupees in favour of Thos. Saunders Esqr. value receiv'd of Richard Starke Esqr. being presented to the Board ORDER'D that it be accepted & paid when due.

the Godolphins Men and Warlike Stores to be survey'd and her Condition reported.

The Godolphin having almost her intended Tonnage on board, ORDER'D that as soon as the same is Compleated the Paymr. & Mr. Edward Pero Lieutt. of the Train do go off, & survey her Warlike Stores, Muster her Men & report to us, whether she is in a Condition to make a Defence against an Enemy in case of being attacked.

the 9 ℔ ct. Prompt Paymt. for Broad Cloth to be prolong'd to the last of this month.

The six Months allow'd for clearing the Broad Cloth sold at Outcry in October last, at the Discount of 9 ℔ Ct. for Prompt Payment, expiring the 20th. Instt. AGREED to allow the Buyers the same discount to the last of this Month as we are well convinced that the Troubles in the Country have so much affected the inland Trade from this Place that very little if any of that Cloth

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is as yet disposed of, & we are induced to hope that the Indulgence of this further term to the Merchants may enable them to Clear the Major Part which will be of great service as the Companys Cash is very low.

A sett of Certificates sign'd.

One Sett of Certificates of this date sign'd for seven hundred & Twenty two Pagodas, twenty eight fanams & sixty four Cash (722. 28. 64) now paid into Cash by the Hon'ble Thos. Saunders Esqr. & Mr. Henry Vansittart Attorneys to Mr. Robt. Turing on accot. the Estate of Major Willm. Kinneer Decd.

(10,000) Pagodas paid in on accot. the late Poonamalee Cowle.

Numboor Soubia & Linga Chittee &ca. Renters of the Poonamalee Country pay into Cash the sum of Ten thousand (10,000) Pagodas in further part of the Ballance due from them on their late Cowle expiring the 1st. July last.

Sea Customer pays money into Cash &

the Import Ware Hokr.

The Sea Customer pays in one thousand (1,000) Pagodas on his running account for this Month.

As does also the Import Warehousekr. eighteen thousand (18,000) Pagodas on the same Account.

Cash advanc'd the Commissary

AGREED that eight thousand (8,000) Pags. be advanc'd the Commissary to defray the expences of the Troops abroad.

Mrs. Edwards Passage money paid in.

The Secretary now pays into Cash the sum of thirty (30) Pagodas, for Mrs. Elizabeth Edwards her permission of Passage to England on the Godolphin.

THOS. SAUNDERS.
CHAS. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR. WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.

16TH. Receiv'd by Cattamaran a Letter to the Secretary from Mr. St. Paul Secretary at Fort St. David dated 15th. Instant.

17TH. Sign'd & sent by Peons Genl. Letter to the Govr. & Council of Negapatam dated this day.

— Arriv'd Ketch Betsey, John Griffin from the Malabar Coast.

18TH. Sail'd Ship Don Carlos, Wm. Moor for Vizagapatam & Bengal with Genl. Letters to the Gentlemen at those Settlements, Ingeram, & Madapollam dated all, the 17th.

— Arriv'd Ship Annoumanlou, Meeza Abdulla Beag, from Merguy.

— Do. Sloop Elizabeth Francis Stevenson from Bengal, and Fort St. David.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY THE 19TH.

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVR. PRESIDT.
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXR. WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.

Last Consultation read & signed.

Letter from Fort St. David read.

No. 71 Letter dated 15th. Instant from Mr. Peter St. Paul Secretary at Fort St. David by order of the Deputy Govr. & Council there to Mr. Charles Bourchier Secretary at this Presidency, in answer to his Letter by our Direction of the 13th. Instant, desiring him to acquaint us that on their Application to

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Capt. Cooke, of the Admi. Vernon to know whether he had his St. Helena Tonnage on board, he inform'd them that some Stores were put on board his Ship for St. Helena at Ingellee, but that he did not know the Quantity & had not given any Bill of Lading, nor had he any Genl. Letter or Invoice, but as they consisted of the same Articles (Vizt. Arrack, Sugar, Rice & Candles) as the Colchesters Stores, he desired the Genl. Letter, Invoice, &ca. for St. Helena by that Ship might be forwarded by him, as it might be some Guide in the value tho' not the Quantity which they consented to and enclos'd the same to the Govr. & Council of St. Helena.

a deficiency in the Godolphins Rice & Jute Rope represented.

The Export Warehousekr. acquaints the Board that upon weighing the Rice receiv'd from Bengal on the Godolphin, it turns out nine hundred & ninety nine hundred Weight, & twenty Pounds (999–20) short of the Quantity, besides a Deficiency of twelve Bengal Maunds & thirty Pounds of Jute Rope and that he had apply'd to Capt. Hutchinson either to deliver the full Quantitys or pay for the Deficiencys, which he desir'd might be deferred untill he could make his Application to the Board.

a Letter from Capt. Hutchinson on the subject of the said deficiencys.

A Letter from him is now read (as enter'd hereafter) setting forth that he imagines the said deficiency must have arisen from Pilferage in the Boats before the same was deliver'd on board the Godolphin, which he apprehends he ought not be accountable for, that he is already a great Sufferer having deliverd upwards of eighty Baggs more than he receiv'd, & desiring the said Deficiency may be endorsed on the Bill of Lading to be settled at home between our Hon'ble. Masters, and his Owners; RESOLV'D that the same be complyd with as we have good Grounds to beleive his reasons just, not only from the Improbability of so large a Quantity being embezzled on board but because we have experienc'd the same in several Instances this Season.

they are left to be settled with his Owners in England.

Report Survey of the Godolphins Men & Warlike Stores deliver'd in.

The Paymaster & Lieut. Pero of the Train having pursuant to order been on board the Godolphin to muster her Men & survey her Warlike Stores now deliver in the Lists thereof, & report her in a defensible Condition.

Capt. Hutchinsons Manifest deliver'd in.

Capt. Wm. Hutchinson attending delivers in upon oath the Manifest of his homeward bound Adventure.

Genl. Letters for England St Helena & Fort Marlbro' sign'd with the Captes. Dispatch &

The following Dispatches are now sign'd Vizt.

Genl. Letter to the Hon'ble Court of Directors.

Genl. Letter to the Depy. Govr. & Council of Fort Marlborough.

Genl. Letter to the Govr. & Council of St. Helena.

Capt. Hutchinsons Dispatch.

the several Packets order'd to be clos'd.

all dated this day, ORDER'D that the several Packets be Clos'd & deliver'd without delay.

THOS. SAUNDERS.
CHAS. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR. WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.

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To the Hon'ble Thomas Saunders Esq^r.

Presid^t. & Gov^r. &c^a. Council of Fort S^t. George

Hon'ble Sir & Sirs

The Export Warehousek^r. having made a demand on me for a Deficiency
℔ qrs. lb. B.Mds. lb.
of 999–20, of Rice, & 12. 30 of Jute Rope in the Cargo brought from Bengal on the Godolphin, I humbly request your Hon^r. &c^a. Council will permit the same to be endorsed on the Bill of Lading to be Settled at home between the Honourable Court of Directors, and my Owners, as this deficiency must have arisen from Pilferage in the Boats before the Rice was deliver'd on board the Godolphin which I apprehend I ought not to be accountable for, & am already a great Sufferer having deliver'd upwards of Eighty Bags of my own more than I received on board.

I am
Hon'ble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obed^t. humble Servant,
William Hutchinson.

Fort S^t. George
The 19^th. April 1753.

19^th. Receiv'd Gen^l. Letter from M^r. George Dawson at DeveCotah dated the 14^th. Instant.

21^st. Arriv'd Snow Canterbury, Richard Finley, last from Fort S^t. David.

— Sail'd the Hon'ble Companys Ship Godolphin, Cap^t. William Hutchinson for Fort Marlborough & England.

— Receiv'd by Peons Gen^l. Letter from Ingeram dated 4^th. Instant.

23^d. Arriv'd Ketch Cotherbux, Veleram, from Cuddah.

Receiv'd by Cattamaran Gen^l. Letter from Fort S^t. David dated 21^st. Instant.

At a Consultation

Present

Monday the 23^d.

Thomas Saunders Esq^r. Gov^r. Presid^t.
Charles Boddam. Henry Powney.
Alex^r. Wynch. John Smith.

Gen^l. Letters read Viz^t. From

Gen^l. Letters read Viz^t.

Deve Cotah. N^o. 72 From M^r. George Dawson at Devecotah, dated 14^th. Instant, serving only to accompany the Accounts of that Settlement for last Month.

Ingeram. & N^o. 73 From M^r. Foss Westcott Resident at Ingeram dated 4^th. April enclosing Journal Parcells & Cash Account for last Month.

Fort St. David, N^o. 74 From the Deputy Gov^r. & Council of Fort S^t. David dated 21^st. Instant, acquainting us that Major Lawrence with the whole Army being obliged to March into the Tritchenopoly Country, & apprehending that during his Stay there which he thinks will be two Months the Communication with Fort S^t. David may be cutt off, he had applied to them for one hundred thousand Rupees, & eight thousand Pagodas which he represents as absolutely necessary to take with him for the payment of the Army, that however their Cash being

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low, they had advanced him only the half of what he desired, which leaves them no more than six thousand Pagodas for their necessary Expences, therefore requesting a speedy supply.

Sloop Dragon with Cartridge Paper to be sent to St. David. & Fort St. David to be wrote to.

The Gentlemen at Fort S^{t}. David having requested an immediate Supply of one hundred Reams of Carriage Paper, AGREED that the Hon'ble Companys Sloop Dragon be dispatched to them with half that Quantity only, which the Storek^{r}. represents is all that can be spar'd at present.

Agreed also that we write to the Deputy Gov^{r}. & Council of Fort S^{t}. David, in answer to their several Letters receiv'd lately, that we have receiv'd the Jewels and Carpets for Presents, as well as the Camp Kettles, as for the latter we were in immediate want of them for M^{r}. Hunters Expedition, & only desir'd if they had any remaining they would send them, but said nothing about making them, as we can do that as well here, & that in future we expect they will wait for our orders to make things of this sort, That we shall enquire into the Allegation of the Trevendeporum Renters, & then give our Sentiments; that we think the reason they urge for sending the Colchesters S^{t}. Helena Invoice by the Adm^{l}. Vernon very weak, as a Copy would have done as well, & we have been under a necessity of sending an imperfect Invoice of those Stores by the Godolphin, that this bears a great appearance of Negligence and if the Companys Affairs are not more attended to, we shall take further notice of it; that we shall as soon as possible send them a supply of Cash & we think this a good opportunity to settle their Merchants Ballances which we observe are very considerable; that we cannot admit of any further Allowance for making Powder, except the Cost of the Spirits represented to be so necessary an Ingredient, that in future we would have the Storehouse & Military Storehouse Journal Parcells sent up monthly, & all those Accounts since this has been the Presidency, that if the first Europe Ship should touch there she must be immediately dispatch'd here, that by her advices we may be able to direct them what to land out of the rest.

DeveCotah to be wrote to, for Piles & Erkwood.

The Engineer representing that he finds great difficulty in procuring Charcoal, proper for making Powder, which when the Mill is finish'd may greatly impede that Work, & at the same time assuring us that at Devecotah there is a sort of Wood very proper for the Purpose call'd Erkwood AGREED that we write to M^{r}. George Dawson at Devecotah directing him to provide a Quantity, & to give orders for cutting so far as one hundred thousand Piles, which he also informs us he shall want for the Works, & forward the same to us as opportunitys may offer.

(5000) Mss. Pags. to be sent to Ingeram.

AGREED that a further supply of five thousand (5000) Madrass Pagodas be sent to M^{r}. Foss Westcott Resident at Ingeram as by his Cash Account there appears to be a Ballance of Pag^{s}. (9008. 18. 42) due to him, & only ten thousand Madrass were sent him by the Don Carlos.

Broad cloth damag'd in the storm 31st. Oct^{r}. Impo. Ware housek^{r}. & Mr. Wynch to examine & report.

The Import Warehousek^{r}. acquaints the Board that sundry Bales of Broad Cloth having receiv'd Considerable Damage in the Storm which happen'd the 31st. of October last, by the bursting open of the Doors & Windows the Buvers have refus'd to Clear it, alledging that all damage should remain for the Companys Account, untill the Goods are deliver'd, ORDERED that it be referr'd to the Import Warehousek^{r}. & M^{r}. Wynch, to examine what Quantity of Cloth is damaged, & make their report to the Board.

Money paid into cash on account of the Sea Customs & Impo. Ware housek^{r}.

Henry Powney Sea Customer & Import Warehousek^{r}. pays in the following sums on those Accounts, Viz^{t}.

On his Sea Customers running Account for this Month ... ... Pag^{s}.	1000	—	—
On his Import Wareh^{o}. D^{o}. D^{o}. D^{o}.	26631	20	68

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advances out of Cash.

AGREED that the following Advances be made out of Cash Viz^{t}.

To the Commissary & Expo. Wareho. kr.

To the Commissary to defray the Charges of the Troops abroad, two thousand, six hundred, thirty one Pagodas Twenty fanams, & Sixty eight Cash (2631. 20. 68) and To the Export Warehousek^{r}. for purchasing Rice for Garrison Store & other Disbursements, three thousand (3000) Pagodas.

THO^{S}. SAUNDERS.
CHA^{S}. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
A^{R}. WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.

25TH. Sign'd & sent Gen^{l}. Letter to M^{r}. George Dawson at Deve Cotah dated this day.

26TH. D^{o}. Gen^{l}. Letter to the Deputy Gov^{r}. & Council of Fort S^{t}. David, dated this day.

27TH. Arriv'd Brigantine Fawtay Dowlat, Shaik Jaib, from Cuddah.

30TH. D^{o}. Sloop Dolphin, Valebai, from Negapatam.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY THE 30TH.

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQ^{R}. GOV^{R}. PRESID^{T}.
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEX^{R}. WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.

Last Consultation read & sign'd.

The Protestant Missionys. desire to rent a Piece of Ground adjoining to Vipary.

Order thereon.

Letter from the Protestant Danish Missionarys read (as enter'd hereafter) setting forth that a Piece of Ground adjoining to the Church Garden at Vipary where the Companys Bricks were formerly burnt now lies waste & uncultivated, requesting that the same may be lett to their Mission for Tillage, as the Ground describ'd in the said letter belongs to the Renters of Vipary &c^{a}. Villages, The Secretary is directed to acquaint the said Missionarys that we cannot Comply with their request as the Ground is already farm'd, but that if they can agree with the Renters, we shall no manner of Objection.

Report of Damag'd Broad Cloth.

Pursuant to an order of last Consultation Mess^{rs}. Powney & Wynch deliver in their Report (as enter'd hereafter) of the Broad Cloth damag'd in the Storm the 31st. of October last, whereby it appears that about ninety Bales in all has been wetted, part of which was sold at Outcry, and the remainder reserv'd for use; AGREED that the damag'd Cloth in the said Bales, remain for the Companys Account, & that it be sold again at Outcry when a favourable Opportunity may present, but that the Purchasers of the Bales be obliged to take & Pay for such Pieces as have not receiv'd any injury.

Money to be remitted to Fort St. David.

The Gentlemen at Fort S^{t}. David having desir'd a speedy supply of Cash; AGREED that twenty five thousand Pagodas be remitted them by Bill on the best terms, & as soon as possible.

Companys Servants to be allow'd travelling Charges on the removal of the Presidency to this Place.

Application being now made to the Board for the Travelling Charges of the several Companys Servants from S^{t}. David hither on the removal of the Presidency, ORDER'D that the same be discharg'd, as has been usual on these Occasions.

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The Accountant now delivers in Nabob Annaverdee Cawns Genl. Account to Ulto. Decr. last ORDER'D that the Commissary draw out the Nabobs Account from that time to this day & lay it before the Board as soon as it can be done. *the Nabob accot. deliver'd in to Ulto. Decr. to be continued to this day.*

Mr. Charles Boddam desiring to resign the Commissarys Employ, which the Board consent to, Mr. Alexr. Wynch is now appointed to succeed him, and takes charge thereof from this day exclusive. *Mr. Boddam resigns the Commissarys Employ & Mr. Wynch appointed.*

AGREED that Mr. John Pybus be appointed Under Export Warehousekr. & that Mr. John Whitehill be removed from the Accountants Office, to assist the Secretary, in the room of Mr. Henry Eustace Johnson, lately sent to Fort St. David. *Mr. Pybus appointed Under Export Warehousekr. & Mr. Whitehill to assist the Secretary.*

Thomas Saunders Esqr Mint Master reads that account for last Month, Ballance remaining in the Mint Eighty three Arcot Rupees five anaes, 83. 5 –) which is carried forward, due from the Mint Eight (8) Madrass Pagodas which are paid in & to the Mint, nine Currt. Pagodas, twenty one fanams, & ten Cash (9. 21. 10) which are paid him. *Monthly accots. read, Vizt. Mint Accot.*

Charles Boddam Export Warehousekr. reads that account for last Month, Ballance due from him Pagodas two thousand four hundred & five, five fanams & eight Cash, (2405. 5. 8) which is carried forward. *Expo. Wareho*

Charles Boddam Paymr. reads that account for last Month. *Paymr.*

	Ps.		
CHARGES GARRISON	253	28	32
CHARGES HOSPITAL	186	26	38
PEONS & SERVANTS WAGES	414	20	—
CHARGES GENERAL	64	30	7
CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY	206	9	62
REPAIRS	446	17	14
FORTIFICATIONS	1,439	24	60
MATERIALS Supply'd Mr. Brohier for the use of Fortifications & repairs	2,836	24	46
ST. THOME &ca. Villages	27	2	68
POONAMALLEE &ca. Villages	192	28	32
FORT MARLBOROUGH	1410	13	52
CHARGES CATTLE	66	24	—
CHARGES DIET	583	12	1
Pagodas ..	8129	10	11

Ballance due to him, one hundred sixty five Pagodas Ten fanams, & three Cash (165. 10. 3) which is carried forward.

The Extraordinary Expence in the Paymrs. account for March is order'd to be enter'd hereafter. *Extra: Expense to be enter'd.*

The Accountant reads the Journal Parcells for the Months of January & February. *Journal Parcells read.*

Henry Powney Sea Customer reads that account for last Month, Ballance due from him, Eight thousand, & sixty one Pagodas, twelve fanams & sixty three Cash (8061. 12. 63) which is carried forward. *Sea Customer's.*

Henry Powney Import Warehousekr. reads that account for last Month, Ballance due from him, Ten thousand, three hundred, & three Pagodas, thirty one fanams, & sixty six Cash (10303. 31. 66) which is Carried forward. *Import Wareho.*

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Storekr. Cash advanc'd him. Alexr. Wynch storekr. reads that accot. for last Month Ballance due to him, seven hundred, seventy one Pagodas, eight fanams, & two Cash (771. 8. 2) which is carried forward, & three thousand (3000) Pagodas now advanc'd him for the charges of that Employ.

Mily. Storekrs. Cash advanc'd him. Alexr. Wynch Military Storekr. reads that account for last Month, Ballance due from him, one hundred, & twenty seven Pagodas, twenty six fanams, and sixty Cash (127. 26. 60) which sum is continued in his hands, & fifteen hundred Pagodas (1500) more advanc'd him towards defraying the expences of that Employ.

Land Customers. John Smith Land Customer reads that account for last Month, Ballance due from him seven hundred & twenty seven Pagodas, thirty fanams & sixty three Cash (727. 30. 63) which he now pays in.

Mily. Paymrs. John Smith Military Paymr. reads that account for last Month, Ballance due from him, one thousand two hundred & ninety four Pagodas, twenty fanams, & forty Cash (1294. 20. 40) which is Carried forward.

Cash advanc'd the Commissary. Agreed that nine thousand, six hundred thirty one Pagodas, twenty fanams, & sixty eight Cash (9631. 20. 68) be advanc'd the Commissary to defray the expences of the Troops abroad. And

Rental Genl. & Scavenger. That one hundred (100) Pagodas be advanc'd the Rental Genl. & Scavinger for Disbursements also

Military Paymr. & Paymr. To the Military Paymr. for the payment of the Military four thousand three hundred & fifteen Pagodas, twenty eight fans. and thirty four Cash (4315. 28. 34) and

To the Paymr. for Disbursements, six thousand seven hundred sixty three Pagodas five fans. & fifty five Cash (6763. 5. 55).

Rental Genl. & Scavengers delivers in his accounts. John Smith Rental Genl. & Scavinger delivers in (as entered hereafter) the account of those Revenues collected by him on the Roll for the year ending 31st. Augt. 1751. The Ballance of the former being forty one Pags. thirteen fans. (41. 13. –) due from him after deducting the bad debts permitted to be wrote off for the reasons mention'd in the said accounts, he now pays in, He also lays before the Board the Roll for the year ending 31st. Augt. 1752 which is sign'd, & the amot. thereof as follows.

Of the Quit Rents	Pags.	1462	11 —
Of the Scavingers duty		697	24 —
Together Pags. ..		2159	35 —

Thos: Saunders.
Chas: Boddam.
Henry Powney.
Alexr: Wynch.
John Smith.

To the Hon'ble Thomas Saunders Esqr.

Presidt. & Govr. &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

Hon'ble Sir

The Piece of Ground adjacent to the northern side of the Church at Wepery, at the other side of the Road, extending itself from West to East all along that Road, hath been the Place, where before this time the Companys Bricks many years since have been burnt, But being now the Work of burning Bricks quite finish'd on that side, & the whole Ground lying Barren & Idle,

——FORT ST. GEORGE, APRIL 1753——

We desire your Honr. most humbly to be the same Ground (by reason of its so near & convenient a Situation to this Place where we live) let out to our Mission for Tillage upon the Customary Conditions other Inhabitants are obstricted to; And since the whole Superficies of it is nothing now but heaps of Rubble, Hills & Pits, which will require a great Labour & Expences to be made an Arable Field by degrees; We beseech only to have it free for a certain number of Years, committing the determination of them to your Honrs. Disposition, Submissively remaining

HONOURABLE SIR,
Your most Humble & Obedient Servants,
J. PH: FABRICIUS &
J: CHR: BREITHAUYT.

MADRASS.
THE 26TH. OF APRIL 1754.

TO THE HON'BLE THOS. SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDT. & GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL.

HON'BLE SIR & SIRS

In consequence of an Order of Consultation we have look'd over the Broad Cloth Bales that were damag'd by the Storm which happen'd on the 31st. October 1752, by the bursting open of the Doors, Windows, and Leaking of the Godowns, notwithstanding, we are inform'd great care was immediately taken to open & dry all that appear'd to be wet; there is about ninety Bales, part of which are what was sold at Outcry, the others what was reserv'd for use, in which we find there are many pieces not damag'd & which we think the Purchasers ought to take; what remains not fit to be deliver'd or kept for use your Honr. &ca. will be pleas'd to give such directions as you think proper.

WE ARE,
HON'BLE SIR & SIRS,
Your most Obedt. Humble Servants,
HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXR: WYNCH.

FORT ST: GEORGE
30TH. APRIL 1753.

EXTRAORDINARY EXPENCES in the Paymrs. account are in the following Particulars March 31st. 1753.

CHARGES GENERAL					
Salt 100 Mercals, to lay under the Bakers Oven. Pags.	1	30	40		
Red Leather for Secretarys Office.	—	19	39		
				2	13 79
CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY				206	9 62
REPAIRS				446	17 14
FORTIFICATIONS				1439	24 68
MATERIALS Supply'd Mr. Brohier for the Use of Fortifi cations & Repairs				2836	24 40
ST. THOME &ca. Villages				27	2 68
POONAMALLEE &ca. Villages				192	28 32
FORT MARLBOROUGH .. .. —				1410	13 52
PAGODAS —				6561	27 31

JOHN SMITH RENTAL GENERAL.

Dr.					Cr.				
To the Amount of the Rent Roll from Septr. 1st. 1750 to the 31st. of August 1751			1470	5 —	By Rents & Revenues Servts. Wages paid from 1st. Septr. 1750 to the 31st. August 1751			65	12 —
					1751–2				
					Febry.	28	By Cash paid in Consultation	550 — —	
					March	31	By Do. ..	300 — —	
					1752				
					June	29	By Do. ..	267 34 —	
					Octr.	2	By Do. ..	200 — —	
						23	By Do. ..	19 31 —	
									1337 29 —
					April	30	By the amot. of Quit Rents unreceiv'd on Houses, Gardens, &ca. at present not inhabited or Else possessed by People really Poor, & in no visible Capacity of paying		25 13 —
									1428 18 —
					By Ballance				41 13 [*sic*]—
Pags. ..			1470	5 —	Pags. ..				1470 5 —

JOHN SMITH SCAVENGER.

Dr.						Cr.				
	To the Amount of the Rent Roll from Sepr. 1st. 1750 to Augst. 31st. 1751.			700	35 —		By Rents & Revenues Servts. Wages paid from 1st. Sepr. 1750 to Augst. 31st. 1751.	199	12 0	
1751							By feeding the Buffaloes do.	165	31 —	
Sepr. 5	To Cash receiv'd in Consultation ..	50	— —				By Buffaloes & making Carts as ℔ Parts.	273	21 —	
Octr. 9	To Do.	50	— —				By Scavingers Allowance for 12 mo...	120	— —	
Novr. 26	To Do.	50	— —							758 28 —
				150	— —	1752 Octr.	23d. By Cash paid in Consultation ..			80 5 —
							By the amot. of Scavingers duty unreceiv'd on Houses &cs. at present not inhabited or else possess'd by People really poor, & in no visible Capacity to pay			12 2 —
							Pagodas ..			850 35 —
	Pags.			850	35 —					

ERRORS EXCEPTED
℔ JOHN SMITH
R. Gl. & Scavr.

FORT ST. GEORGE.
APRIL 30TH. 1753.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, MAY 1753*——

1 Receiv'd Tappies Genl. Letter from Fort St. David dated 27th. Ulto.

2 Sail'd the Betsy Ketch Griffin for Bengal.

3 Arriv'd sloop Mary Anne, Assem Cundaw, from Fort St. David.

4 Sail'd the Hon'ble Companys Sloop Dragon, Villabou Syrang for Fort St. David with a Genl. Letter to the Deputy Govr. & Council there dated the 23d. Ulto.

— Receiv'd by Pattamar from the Malabar Coast, Genl. Letter from the Govr. & Council of Batavia dated 20th. October 1752.

5 Receiv'd by Tappies Genl. Letter from Devecotah dated the 29th. Ultimo.

6 Receiv'd by Tappies Genl. Letter from Fort St. David dated 3d. Inst.

7 Sail'd sloop Mary Anne, Assem Cundaw, for Fort St. David.

— Receiv'd by Tappies Genl. Letter from Fort St. David dated 4th. Instant.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVR. PRESIDT.
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXR. WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.

MONDAY THE 7TH.

Last Consultation read & sign'd.

Genl. Letters read vizt.

Genl. Letter from Fort St David.

No. 75, 78, & 79. From the Deputy Govr. & Council of Fort St. David, the first dated 27th Ulto. advising that they have drawn on us for four thousand (4000) Arcot Rupees payable to Capt. Robert Gascoigne or order, value receiv'd into the Hon'ble Companys Cash of Mr. Peter St. Paul, The second dated the 3d. May, advising that they have drawn on us for four thousand (4000) Arcot Rupees payable to John Smith Esqr. or order value receiv'd of Thos. Cooke Esqr. the third dated 4th. Instant, in answer to our Letter of the 26th. referring to their Letter of the 15th. Ulto. for the reason of their Proceeding with regard to the St. Helena stores and assuring us that the Camp Kettles they sent us up, were not made on purpose, but were in hand when they receiv'd our Directions to send us some if they had any in store, That they will comply with our orders relating to the Europe ships touching there, & also for sending up monthly the Journal Parcells of every Employ, & the whole sett for last year, that their Ballance of Cash is no more than Pagodas (83. 35. 69) and therefore our promised supply will be very acceptable, that their merchants Ballances have been greatly reduc'd since December, & Andeappahs in particular is no more than Eighteen thousand five hundred, Eighty seven Pagodas, seventeen fanams & fourteen Cash (17587. 17. 14) [*sic*] they would willingly lessen it still more but are prohibited by the Disturbances in the Country, and the large outstanding Debts due to his Estate, which they have in vain tried to accommodate by mild measures, & shall therefore try others; that they wait our Directions in regard to the Trevendeporum Renters, that Ensign Davis having by Letter acquainted the Deputy Govr. that himself Ensign Cudmore, a Swiss Voluntier, & Twenty two Private Men being made Prisoners at Trivady & carried to Pondicherry, most of them wounded. Mr. Dupleix had refused them a surgeon, medicines, & other necessarys, in consequence of which they (the Gentlemen at St. David) had order'd a surgeon thither to visit their wounds, and directed them to be supply'd with money for their present subsistence; They enclose the Warehousekrs. Report of the Torn Cloth ℔ Colchester, & what was before on hand, the latter of which they have order'd to be sold at Outcry & under the same Cover forward to us their Consultations and monthly Papers for March.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, MAY 1753*——

Genl. Letter from Batavia read.

N°. 76 Genl. Letter from the Govr. & Council of Batavia dated 20th. October 1752 acquainting us the Gentlemen at Fort Marlborough not satisfied with publickly undermining the Netherland Company in their lawfull & exclusive Trade on the West Coast of Sumatra have also made a settlement & erected a Fortification at * Natal, a Place within their Companys Jurisdiction, that they have made representations on this Head to the Gentlemen at Fort Marlborough, & requir'd them to evacuate this Place, but without effect, they therefore desire we will interpose our Authority, & cause the same Island to be restored, & every thing left in the Condition they were left in the Year 1748, & in default Protest against us for the Consequences; they also inclose a Copy of a Letter dated 10th. October wrote by them on the same subject to the Gentlemen at Fort Marlborough.

Genl. Letter from Devecotah read.

N°. 77 from Mr. George Dawson at DeveCotah dated 29th. Ultimo, acquainting us that in Consequence of our directions of 25th April, he had given orders for cutting one hundred thousand Piles, & a large quantity of Erkwood, & will send them up with all possible dispatch.

the Board acquainted of Shaik Hussains Escape.

The President acquaints the Board, Mr. Starke has inform'd him, that Shaik Hussain (who was taken in Syringham, & has ever since been confin'd at Fort St. David) had made his Escape out of Prison & was got to Pondicherry.

Fort St. David wrote to.

AGREED that we write to the Gentlemen at Fort St. David in answer to their several letters, that as their Cash is low we shall supply them, as soon as we can get Bills, that we shall discharge those they have drawn on us, & in future their Draughts must be at ten days sight, that altho' they say they have lessen'd their Merchants Ballances, we disapprove of so large a sum as Eighteen thousand Pagodas being still due from Andeappah, for the whole Ballances from all the Merchants when that Place was the Presidency, were limitted to thirty thousand Pagodas, however we don't approve of their Intentions of using other than mild measures, & recommend the deciding cases of Property by Arbitration, & even then if either of the Partys should object to the Arbitrators that the matter be referr'd to us, that we approve their sending a surgeon & necessarys to our Men Prisoners at Pondicherry; That we have not yet had an opportunity of enquiring into the losses sustain'd by the Trevendeporum Renters, but shall do it as soon as we can, & give our sentiments, however that this may not prevent the Closing of their Books, it may be transferred to the New Sett, that we would have their Cloth sent up hither as soon as embaled if opportunitys offer, That the manner of Shaik Hussains Escape gives us reason to imagine there was too great a familiarity between him & those under whose charge he was, & direct that this affair be very particularly enquir'd into, that the Storekr. & Military Storekr. must be very careful in taking proper Vouchers for what they deliver out on the Nabobs account, that when it comes to be adjusted there may be no disputes.

Cash Acct. read.

THE President reads the Cash Account for last Month Ballance remaining now compar'd with the Chest, forty two thousand, three hundred & ninety Current Pagodas, thirty five fanams, & sixty Cash (42390.35.60) and thirteen (13) Madrass Pagodas which is carried forward.

Two Bills Drawn from St. David.

The following Bills of Exchange drawn from Fort St. David at three days sight being presented to the Board. Vizt.

One for four thousand (4000) Arcot Rupees payable to Capt. Robert Gascoigne Value receiv'd of Mr. Peter St. Paul.

One for four thousand (4000) Arcot Rupees payable to John Smith Esqr. value receiv'd of Thomas Cooke Esqr.

to be accepted, & paid when due.

ORDER'D that they be accepted & paid when due.

* A settlement on the west coast of Sumatra.

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Cash paid in By the Impo. Wareho.kr. & Sea Customer.

The following sums are now paid into Cash Vizt. By the Impo. Wareho.kr. on account of Rupees sold, four thousand two hundred & ten Pagodas, eighteen fanams & seventy seven Cash (4210. 18. 77) and By the Sea Customr. on his running account, one thousd. (1000) Pagodas.

Cash advanc'd the Commissary.

AGREED that the sum of fifteen hundred, seventy eight Pags. thirty four fanams, & nine Cash (1578. 34. 9) be advanc'd the Commissary to defray the Expences of the Troops abroad.

A supply of Mss Pags. to be procur'd for Ingeram.

A Country Vessell named Streevencataish being to sail to the Northward in few days, AGREED to procure Ten thousand (10000) M'ss Pags. to send Mr. Westcott on her, as he seems to have the most occasion for it, to forward his Investment.

THOS: SAUNDERS.
CHAS: BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR. WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH

Fort St. George, April 1753

The Hon'ble United Companys Cash

Dr.

1	To Ballance brought from last months Account Pags.	27822	30	62
2	To Henry Powney Import Warehousekr. receiv'd of him further on his running account for this month	9000	—	—
9	Henry Powney Import Warehousekr. receiv'd of him further on his running acccunt for this Month	10000	—	—
16	To Accot. Currt. London, Housekr. received for Permission of Passage to England of Mrs. Elizabeth Edwards on the Godolphin ..	30	—	—
—	To Numboor Soubia, Linga Chittee &ca. Renters of the Poonamalee Country receiv'd of them in further Part of the Rent due from them on the late Cowle ending the 1st. July last	10000	—	—
	To Henry Powney Sea Customer receiv'd of him on his running Account for this Month.	1000	—	—
—	To Accot. Currt. London, receiv'd of the Honble Thos. Saunders Esqr. & Mr. Henry Vansittart, Attorneys to Robt. Turing, on account the Estate of Major William Kinneer, for which three Certificates of this date are granted them	722	28	64
—	To Henry Powney Import Warehousekr. receiv'd of him further in his running account for this month	18000	—	—
23d.	To Henry Powney Sea Customer receiv'd of him further on his running account ..	1000	—	—
	To Henry Powney Import Warehousekr. receiv'd of him Vizt.			
	On account of silver sold Pags. 3211 10 75			
	On his running account .. 26631 20 68			
		29842	31	63
30	To Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master receiv'd of him the Ballance of that account for last Month Mss. Pags.	8	—	—
—	To John Smith Land Customer receiv'd of him the Ballance of that account for last Month.	727	30	63
	Carried Over ..	108154	14	12

Per Contra

Cr.

1	By John Smith Military Paymr. advanc'd him to pay the Military	3000	—	—
2	By Charles Boddam Paymr. advanc'd him for the Charges of that Employ	7131	20	37
3	By Accot. Currt. London advanc'd Capt. Roger Mainwaring for purchasing Provisions for the Colchester & to enable him to repair & refit her	5500	—	—
—	By account Salary, paid the Honble Companys covenanted servants for the last six Months ending the 25th. Ultimo	1661	24	30
4	By John Smith Military Paymr. advanc'd him for the Charges of that Employ	1789	17	5
9	By the Roman Female Orphans House paid Padree Severini one years Interest on the late President & Councils Bond dated 21st. Febry. 1745/6 for Pags. 6000 @ 6 ℔ c. ℔ annum	360	—	—
12	By Accot. Currt. London remitted to the Chief & Council of Pulliacat the amount of an account of Disbursements on the Honourable Companys ship Delawar at Galee by the Chief & Council there, being Rix Dollars 1075 making	580	18	—
—	By Madrass Pagodas purchas'd	15000	—	—
—	By Batta paid 10 ℔ Ct. on 15000 Madrass Pagodas	1500	—	—
16	By Charles Boddam Commissary advan'd him to defray the Charges of the Troops abroad.	8000	—	—
23	By Charles Boddam Commissary advanc'd him to defray the Expences of the Troops abroad	2631	20	68
—	By Snow Arcot paid David Hunter Esqr. the cost of her at Batavia Rix Dolls. 5500 @ 125 ℔ % is Spanish Dolls. 4400	2483	28	75
	Carried Over ..	49638	21	55

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THE HONBLE UNITED COMPANYS CASH—*cont.*

			Dr.		
	Brought Over	108154	14	12
30	To Henry Powney Import Warehousekr. receiv'd of him on Accot. of Rupees sold ..	2631	20	68
—	To John Smith Rental Genl. & Scavinger receiv'd the Ballce. due on the Rental Genls. account of the Roll ending the 31st. August 1751 enter'd after Consultation of this day..	41	13	—
	Star or Curt. Ps.	110827	12	0

PER CONTRA—*cont.*

			Cr.	
	Brought Over	49638	21	55
23d.	By Fort Marlborough, paid the amount of the Cost of the Arcot's Cargo deliver'd there by Mr. Hunter as ℔ Invoice, Rix Dolls. 1230 @ 125 ℔ % is Spanish Dolls. 984 or ..	555	16	67
—	By Expedition to the Negaris paid Vizt. Messrs. Hunter & Combes their Expences at Malacca & Cudda Spanish Doll's, 304 3 4 or .. ..Pags. 172 1 13 Mr. Hunters note of Expences during his stay here .. 171 31 —	343	32	13
25th.	By Charles Boddam Export Warehousekr. advanc'd him for the Provision of Rice for the Garrison, & the Disbursements of that Employ	3000	—	—
—	By Fort St. David paid a Bill of Exchange drawn on us by the Deputy Govr. & Council in favour of the Honble Thos. Saunders Esqr. dated 14th. Instant, for so much paid into the Hon'ble Companys Cash there A. Rs. 2467 @ 380 ℔ %	649	7	47
30th.	By Alexr. Wynch Storekr. advanc'd him for Disbursements	3000	—	—
—	By Charles Boddam Commissary advanc'd him to defray the Expences of the Troops abroad	9631	20	68
—	By John Smith Rental Genl. & Scavinger advanc'd him for Disbursemts.	100	—	—
—	By Alexr. Wynch Military Storekr. advanc'd him for Disbursements	1500	—	—
—	By Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master paid him the Ballce. of that account for last Month	9	21	10
—	By Madrass Pagodas for the Mint March Ballance	8	—	—
		68436	12	20
30th.	By Ballance carried to next Months account.	42390	35	60
	Star or Currt. Pags.	110827	12	—

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MADRASS PAGODAS

Dr.					Per Contra				Cr.
1	To Ballance brought from last Months account.	10005	—	—	17th.	By Vizagapatam Factory sent thither ₱ ship Don Carlos	5000	—	—
12	To the Hon'ble United Companys Cash paid for	15000	—	—	—	By Ingeram Residency sent to Vizagapatam ₱ Don Carlos, to be forwarded thither ..	10,000	—	—
30	To the Hon'ble United Companys Cash for the Mint March Ballance	8	—	—	—	By Madapollam Residency sent to Vizagapatam, to be forwarded thither	10,000	—	—
							25,000	—	—
					30th.	By Ballance carried to next Months account ..	13	—	—
		25013	—	—			25013	—	—

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9TH Receiv'd via St. David Genl. Letter from Bengal dated 14th. March.

— Sail'd snow Canterbury, Robert Gascoigne, for Vizagapatam.

— Do. Sloop Phoenix, William Bonnedy, for Batavia.

10TH Receiv'd by Tappies Genl. Letter from Fort St. David dated the 7th. Instant.

11TH Arriv'd ship Experiment, John Mackmath, from the Malabar Coast.

— Sail'd sloop Elizabeth, Francis Stevenson for Bengal.

— Arriv'd sloop Fortune, Francis Walmesley from Bussorah.

— Between One & Two of the Clock in the Afternoon Anchor'd in this road our Honble Masters Ships, Clinton Capt. John Nanfan, & Suffolk Capt. William Wilson from England bound to this Place & China with Messrs. Edward Phipps, Joseph Harrington, & Thos. Smith, Supracargoes, & Mr. Alexr. Dalrymple Writer for this Settlement passengers on the Suffolk, and Messrs. Henry Revell & John Hull Supracargoes, on the Clinton.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOS. SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVR. PRESIDT.
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXR. WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.

FRIDAY THE 11TH. AT FIVE O CLOCK P.M.

Captains Nanfan & Wilson being come on shore with the Packets for this Presidency, the same were open'd, Compar'd with their respective Lists, & found to agree therewith; The General Letter from our Hon'ble Masters, by both ships being of the same tenour, & dated 15th. Decr. 1752, was then read as were also Triplicate Genl. Letter dated 25th. October 1752 the Original whereof is not yet come to hand.

Packets ye Clinton & Suffolk open'd & read.

Copy of a Genl. Letter to the Deputy Govr. & Council of Fort St. David dated 15th. Decr. 1752 the Original by the Winchelsea not being yet receiv'd.

Copy of a Genl. Letter to the Deputy Govr. & Council of Fort Marlborough dated the 1st. Decr. 1752.

Lists of Goods to be provided on the Coast of Choromandel for the ships going out in the year 1752, dated 15th. Decr. 1752.

Extracts of the Genl. Letter to be deliver'd the proper officers they belong to, & what relates to the Military to be sent the Major.

ORDER'D that such Paragraphs of the Genl. Letters as relate to any particular branches of the Companys Business to be extracted, & deliver'd to the Persons in charge of such Branches, & that such part as relates to the Military be extracted & sent to Major Lawrence.

Packets from Europe, for Bengal & Bombay to be forwarded Bengal to be wrote etc.

ORDER'D that the two Packets receiv'd by the Clinton, one for the President & Council of Bengal, & the other for the President & Council of Bombay, be forwarded to them, the latter by the first safe Conveyance that may offer, & the former by the Fortune sloop now bound to Bengal, at the same 'tis

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AGREED to advise the Gentlemen there, of the safe arrival in England of all the homeward bound ships of last season except the Scarborough, to enclose them Lists of the Arrival & Departure of ships & of those taken up for all parts of India this season.

Orders are now sign'd to Capt. John Nanfan of the Clinton & Capt. Wm. Wilson of the Suffolk for the delivery of the Military, Treasure, Wares, and stores belonging to the Company consign'd to this Presidency. Orders to Capt. Nanfan & Wilson for the delivery of the Military Treasure &ca.

And the Committee of Treasury are desir'd to examine the Treasure when brought ashore, & see it weigh'd in presence of the respective Commanders or their Pursers. Committee of Treasury to examine the Treasure in presence of the Captains or Pursers.

Genl. Letters read Vizt.

No. 80 General Letter from the President & Council of Bengal dated 14th March serving only to enclose Invoice of the Gunpowder sent us by the Chesterfield which was then omitted. Genl. Letter from Bengal read.

No. 81 From the Deputy Govr. and Council of Fort St. David dated 7th Instant acquainting us that agreeable to their last advices having sent Mr. Hinchley Surgeons Mate to Pondicherry to take care of our wounded Men Prisoners there, he waited on Mr. Dupleix, but was refus'd admittance, he then desir'd he might be permitted to see Lieutt. Davis, this request also was denied, nor was he allow'd an Interview with Capt. Schaub but the Town Major was sent to acquaint him with Mr. Dupleixs. order that he should return from whence he came as soon as possible, and that Mr. Davis &ca. should have the same care taken of them as the French Prisoners met with at Trivady, and should have sufficient Beetle and Chunam allow'd them. Genl. Letter from Fort St. David read.

General Letter to the Deputy Govr. & Council of Fort St. David agreeable to the Resolution of last Consultation is now sign'd & a Postscript added, directing that the Nabobs account completed to Ulto. April be sent us up as soon as possible, and advising the arrival here of the Clinton and suffolk, that the Winchelsea being ordered to touch there, they may land all the Recruits & such stores as they want, & that we permit them to do so by any other ships that may touch there, altho' they should be consign'd to the Bay. Genl. Letter to Fort St. David sign'd, & an addition made.

AGREED that the sum of three thousand six hundred & eighty four Pagodas, seven fanams, and forty six Cash (3684. 7. 46) be advanc'd the Commissary to defray the Charges of the Troops abroad. Cash advanced the Commissary.

THOS: SAUNDERS.
CHAS: BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR. WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.

12TH Sail'd snow Recovery John Sullivan for Batavia.

13TH Sign'd & sent by Tappies Genl. Letter to the Depy. Govr. and Council of Fort St. David dated this day acquainting that Mr. Starkes Presence here being necessary for some time he is to take the first opportunity by sea of coming hither and deliver over the charge of the settlement to Mr. Thos. Cooke &ca. Council, & directing them to advise us of every material occurrence, & forward all Letters of Consequence by Cattamaran, & also to acquaint us what salt Petre they have remaining, & whether it will be sufficient for making Gunpowder for a Twelve month.* * Vide Consultation 11th. May, & a Letter to Mr. Starke 13th. May both in Extra occurrences.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY THE 14TH. THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVR. PRESIDT.
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXR: WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.

The two last Consultations read and sign'd.

Having acquainted our Hon'ble Masters in the General Letter, dated 3d. Novr. last with our Intention to fill up the Vacancy in Council occasion'd by the death of Mr. Cockell with the next in standing if the first ships from England brought no particular orders to the Contrary, & as the advices by the Suffolk & Clinton have no directions on this head, 'tis AGREED that Mr. Charles Bourchier the next in succession be admitted to fill the said Vacancy, as Junior Council and the usual Oaths of Fidelity, being admistred [*sic*] to him, he promises to write to his Friends in England to find security for him in £4000; and accordingly taking his seat at the Board, is appointed to the charge of the Rental General, & scavingers Employ.

Mr. Bourchier admitted of Council & takes his seat.

AGREED that the Bullion receiv'd & expected by the ships from Europe be deliver'd into the Mint from time to time to be coin'd as fast as possible, that a Calculate be made of what quantity of Madrass Pagodas may be necessary for the use of the Northern Settlements and that a sufficient proportion of the Gold be coin'd for that purpose.

Bullilon to be coin'd as fast as it arrives & a sufficiency of Mss. Pagodas for the Northern Settlements.

As the Northern investments have generally turn'd out so much more beneficial than any other, & our Hon'ble Masters strongly recommend the encouraging, & promoting the manufacture there as far as is consistent with prudence, 'tis AGREED that one hundred thousand Rupees be sent to Vizagapatam by the first safe Conveyance that may offer, as early & ample supplys are the most effectual means of extending and encreasing that Trade, & that it be recommended to the Gentlemen at the Northern Settlements to exert themselves in their several Branches which cannot fail of gaining the approbation of our Honourable Masters.

(100,000) Rupeas to be sent to Vizagapatam by the first Conveyance..

The Houses hir'd in the Pettah, & intended for an Hospital, being now refitted, ORDER'D that they be appropriated for that use, & the present Hospital on the Parade converted into Barracks & that proper necessarys such as Cotts, Matts, &ca. be provided for the Recruits expected shortly to arrive.

The Hospital on the Parade, to be converted into Barracks & the Houses hir'd in the Pettah to be used for an Hospita

ORDER'D that Commissions be drawn out for Capt. John Brohier Capt. William Lin & the several other Officers coming out this season, as they arrive, if they have not already had Commissions Granted them in England.

Commissions to be drawn out for the Military officers from Europe this Season.

The President applies to the Board for their Opinions whether, for all advances & Payments made out of Cash by order of Consultation, a regular entry thereof in the Cash Book, & a receipt from the Persons to whom such advances or Payments are made are sufficient Vouchers & authorities to him, as Cashkr. for the same, the Board are of opinion, they are very sufficient.

Opinion of the Board relating to Payments &ca. out of Cash.

The President also desires the sentiments of the Board, whether as Mint Master he is chargeable with all the Bullion deliver'd into the Mint to be coin'd, or whether Linga Chittees receipt for the same will not acquit him in case of any deficiency, either by fraud of any kind, or the failure of Linga Chittee; The Board conceive that as the President & Council for the time

Opinion of the Board that the Mint Master is not answerable for Bullion

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being have on behalf of the Company contracted from time to time with Linga Chittee ever since the Year 1739 * for coining their Bullion, which has never been disapprov'd of at home, he ought properly to be consider'd in this respect as an immediate servant of the Company to whom he & his securitys are accountable for what Bullion is deliver'd into the Mint, & that his Receipt is a sufficient Indemnity to the Mint Master for the same.

deliver'd into the Mint.

* *Vide Consultations 23d. & 30th.* April 1739.

Order'd that a copy of the Companys General Letter to St. David, in regard to Colonel Scott be sent thither that proper Preparations may be made for his reception on his arrival, & AGREED that at the same time the Deputy Govr. & Council be directed to pay him the same Military Honours as to Major Lawrence; that as the Deputy Govr. is order'd hither, in his absence we would have Mr. Cooke open all Letters from Majr. Lawrence & Capt. Dalton to the President, & in case either of them should be in want of money or stores to supply them as fully as possible, & on all emergent occasions act to the best of his ability, immediately advise us, that as the Consumption of Military stores is considerable, we want to know what quantity are remaining at Fort St. David, & would have the two Coppers, there, one in the Cook Room, & the other in the Storehouse Godown sent up hither for the use of our Powder Mill.

The List of Goods to be provided on this Coast receiv'd by the Suffolk & Clinton being again read & Consider'd, ORDER'D that such parts as relate to the subordinates be extracted to be forwarded thither by the first Conveyances, & with regard to the remarks on our Investment, 'tis AGREED that altho' there is little reason to hope for an amendment so long as the Troubles in the Province subsist; yet that the Merchts. be order'd to attend at the next Consultation, & acquainted with the Complaints of the several species of Goods provided by them respectively, & that we insist on their rectifying what has been found amiss.

Extracts from the List of Investment to be sent to the subordinates.

Companys Merchants to attend at next Consultation.

Our Hon'ble Masters having been pleas'd in the said List of Investment to recommend the curing of all the Northern Cloths here or at St. David, The Board after due consideration are of opinion that it is impracticable for as it is generally late in the Season before the Gentlemen at those settlements can have any opportunitys of forwarding their Investments hither it will be absolutely impossible to get the Cloth cured in any reasonable time, for the dispatch of the ships to Europe, which must reduce us to the necessity of detaining them or of sending part of their Cargos brown, the bad consequences of the first are too obvious to need a remark, the latter the Company have forbid; AGREED therefore to recommend it in the most pressing manner to the Gentlemen at the Northern Factorys to cure as much of their Cloth there as they can, & that they be particularly careful to have it done in a better manner, than has been hither to sent to us, & if they should not be able to get the whole bleach'd in that case to send us the remainder brown, that we may get it wash'd here.

The Board are of opinion Northern Cloths cannot [be cur'd] here. Reason why.

If they cannot cure all their Cloths to the Northward, the rest must be sent brown.

The Madrass Paintings of the late being also Complain'd of, which as well as every other Branch of our Trade & Manufactures is certainly much debased since the commencement of the Troubles, the Board is of opinion it might be attended with success, if that part of our Hon'ble Masters Investment was encourag'd at the Northern settlements, where tis observ'd not only that the Colours are much superiour to ours, but labour General much Cheaper, 'tis therefore AGREED that Proper Patterns be sent to the Gentlemen there with directions for promoting that Business.

Painting to be encouraged at the Northern Settlements.

Patterns to be sent there.

Letter from the Supra Cargo's of the Clinton Suffolk read (as enter'd hereafter) acquainting us that it will be an acceptable service to the Company, if we can load any Goods on board those ships, fit for the China Market, & desiring also to be acquainted what treatment they may expect should they be oblig'd to touch at * Quedah.

Supra Cargo's of the Clinton & Suffolk desire Goods for the China market.

* The name of the most northerly of the Malay States, on the western side of the Malay Peninsula.

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Resolution thereon.

RESOLVED that the Supra Cargos be acquainted in their dispatches from hence that we have not been able to procure any staple Commoditys for the China Market, & we do not think it adviseable to send any others on the Companys account, which from the precariousness of that Market, they might as probably suffer a Loss as produce a Gain, & as to the King of Quedah, we have no advices that his resentment is as yet subsided, we therefore think it would be improper to touch there.

Money paid into Cash Accot. of Bd. Cloth sold &

The Import Warehousekr. now pays into Cash, the following sums Vizt. Fifteen thousand (1500) Pagodas on accot. of Broad Cloth, sold &

accot. of Rupees sold.

Three thousand six hundred & eighty four Pagodas seven fanams, & forty six Cash (3684. 7. 46) on account of Rupees sold.

THOS: SAUNDERS.
CHAS: BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR. WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CHS: BOURCHIER.

GENTLEMEN

WE think it necessary to acquaint you that a speedy dispatch of the ships Clinton & Suffolk, will be esteem'd by the Honourable Court of Directors, as an acceptable piece of service done to them, and at the same time take the opportunity to inform you that should you without loss of time load on board any Goods proper for the Canton Market, that we have orders to pay you the amount of such Goods, out of the stocks of either of these ships under our direction.

We are particularly enjoyn'd to inform ourselves from you Gentlemen, what reception we might expect to meet with from the King of Quedah should our ships thro' any unavoidable accident be obliged to touch there.

The Manifests & Victualling Bills we find we are to receive on our departure from hence

We are
GENTLEMEN
Your most Obedient servants,
EDWARD PHIPPS.
HENRY REVELL.
JOSEPH HARRINGTON.
THOMAS SMITH.

FORT ST. GEORGE
14TH. MAY 1753.

15 Receiv'd by Peons Genl. Letter from Devecotah dated the 7th. Instant.

16 Sign'd & sent by Peons Genl. Letter to Fort St. David dated this day, agreeable to resolution of last Consultation.

— Sail'd the Hon'ble Companys sloop Fortune, Francis Walmesley, for Bengal with a Genl. Letter to the President and Council there dated 13th. Instant.

17 Receiv'd by Peons Genl. Letter from Ingeram dated 26th. April last.

— Do. ... ... Bandarmalanka 2d. Instant.

19 Sail'd Ketch Cotherbux, Malim Goul, for Bengal.

20 Arriv'd Snow Fanny, Roger Woodburne, from Tellicherry.

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Receiv'd by Peons Gen^{l}. Letter from Vizagapatam dated 30th. of April last. 21

Arriv'd ship Speedwell, John Coatsworth, from Cochin. —

D^{o}. Ship Fort S^{t}. David, Francis Taylor, from Bombay with a Gen^{l}. Letter from the President & Council there dated 18th. Ultimo. —

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THO^{S}. SAUNDERS ESQ^{R}. GOV^{R}. PRESID^{T}. MONDAY THE 21ST.
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEX^{R}: WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

Last Consultation read & sign'd.

Gen^{l}. Letters read Viz^{t}. Gen^{l}. Letters read Viz^{t}.

N^{o}. 82 from M^{r}. George Dawson at Devecottah dated 7th. Instant acquainting us that agreeable to order Cap^{t}. Pigou was to leave that Place the next day when Cap^{t}. Pascal, who was arriv'd there would take Charge of the Command in that Garrison. From Devakotah.

N^{o}. 83 from M^{r}. Foss Westcott Resident at Ingeram dated 26th. Ult^{o}. acknowledging the receipt of our Letter with Ten thousand (10,000) Madrass Pagodas ℔ Don Carlos with which he shall set about the Investment, & hopes it will turn out to our satisfaction if it should not be impeded by the Troubles, of which there is some appearance as the Rajah & Nabob having some difference are both augmenting their Forces, & this has prevented his obtaining from the Rajah a Cowle for Coringa tho' he has paid the Rent for last year on proper Receipts. Ingeram.

N^{o}. 84 from M^{r}. John Andrews at Bandarmalanka dated 2^{d}. Instant, advising the receipt of our Letter & the Ten thousand (10000) Madrass Pagodas sent him by the Don Carlos, & assuring us of his Endeavours to encrease the Investment, which at present is much affected by the scarcity of Copper, & enclosing the accounts of that settlement for last Month. Bandarmalanka.

N^{o}. 85 From George Pigot Esq^{r}. Chief &c^{a}. Council of Vizagapatam dated 30th. Ult^{o}. advising the Arrival of the Don Carlos with our Letter & consignments, and M^{r}. John Lewen Smith Passenger, who will take charge of the Warehouse the 1st. Instant, enclosing the monthly Papers of that settlement, & a List of Cloth on hand, which tho' it be but small they assure us of its Goodness, & hope the Merchants will bring it in faster this Month, and requesting a supply of about a thousand Gunnies with some Juit Rope & Twine by the first Conveyance. Vizagapatam.

N^{o}. 86 From the President & Council of Bombay dated 18th. April acknowledging the receipt of our Letter of the 28th. Decr. and acquainting us that by the sloops then shortly intended for Bengal they will send us a supply of Gunpowder, as much as they can spare, That the Pelham sail'd for Europe the 16th. of March, the Hector is to fill up on the Malabar Coast, & the Royal Duke proceeds to Canton, requesting in case the Chief & Factors at Tellicherry should send us any foreign silver, that we will coin and consign it to the Gentlemen at Bengal. Bombay.

The following Gen^{l}. Letters dated this day are now read & sign'd. Gen^{l}. Letters to

To George Pigot Esq^{r}. Chief &c^{a}. Council of Vizagapatam. Vizagapatam.

To M^{r}. Foss Westcott, Resident at Ingeram. Ingeram &

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Madapollam sign'd.

To Mr. John Andrews Resident at Madapollam enclosing Lists of Goods to be provided by them respectively this season, also Extracts from the List of Investment receiv'd by the Clinton & Suffolk, of such Remarks and Directions as relate to the Goods provided at those settlements, & insisting on their punctual observance of every article particularly that their Cloths be kept up to the full Lengths & Breadths there mention'd That we would have them cure as much of their Cloth as they can, & send us up the remainder, recommending to them to neglect no means of encreasing their several Investments; and advising Mr. Westcott that ten thousand (10,000) Madrass Pagodas are now Consign'd to him on the Stree Vencataisha Country Vessell bound to Vizagapatam, which tis hoped will enable him to proceed with Success.

Genl. Letters to be wrote Vizt.

AGREED that the following Genl. Letters be wrote Vizt.

To Fort St. David.

To the Deputy Govr. & Council of Fort St. David that as there is very good Ground to beleive a Charter for erecting a Mayors Court here, will be sent on the Coast & Bay ships, we think it most adviseable to leave the case of Andeapahs* Creditors to be decided there, as that will be proper Place for determining all matters of Property & therefore we would not have them interfere in it.

* Vide Gen Letter from Fort St. David dated 4th. May, & read in Consultation the 7th. of May.

Bombay.

To the President & Council of Bombay to acknowledge the receipt of their Letter of the 18th. April, and to acquaint them that the Chief & Factors at Tellicherry have not sent us any foreign silver, that the Clinton & Suffolk are arriv'd here, & as we have reason to apprehend from the Present prospect of affairs on this Coast, & the quantity of Tonnage there will be on hand both of last & this Year, that the whole cannot be provided for as we do not apprehend we shall be able to load more than one ship in September and another in January we desire to know whether it may be in their power to contribute towards the compleating any, & what Tonnage, that we may give the Gentlemen at the Bay timely notice, & concert proper measures with them in consequence, that the affairs in this Province still continue in as troublesome a situation as ever, and we hope it will be in their Power to assist us with a Reinforcement agreeable to our request under date 12th. February especially as we are apprehensive the French will have a large supply of Men this season; To acquaint them with What ships have been dispatch'd home from hence this season, to enclose Lists of the arrival & departure of ships in Europe, & also a Packet for them receiv'd by the Clinton from Europe.

Batavia.

To the Governor & Council of Batavia to acquaint them that we have not till lately received their Letter of the 20th. October, that we are much concern'd at the continual Complaints on either part of mutual Encroachments & Insults, that we lately transmitted them an authentick Narrative of the unjust seizure (at Padang) of the surprize sloop belonging to Fort Marlborough, & don't doubt their having done Justice to the injured; That in regard to Natal, We are incompetent Judges at present, for on the one hand they claim an exclusive right by Conquest as well as by Agreement with the Natives, on the other; Our agents At Fort Marlborough assure us that they cannot discover that the Natives have ever enter'd into any such Contracts, but that they are a free People, and at Liberty to call in or admit whom they please into their Country; that however we have order'd our agents at the West Coast to make a more strict Enquiry and if they can discover that the Netherlands Compy. have any such right as is pretended, & in that case to evacuate Natal immediately, but if there should remain any doubt to referr it to us, that, as in their said Letter they assure us the original agreements under which they claim are yet at Padang, We hope they will furnish us & the Gentlemen at Fort Marbro' with authentick Copys to facilitate their and our Enquirys.

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To the Deputy Gov^{r}. & Council of Fort Marlborough to forward a Copy of our Honourable Masters Commands to them, Copy of which is enclosed to us by the Clinton, also a Copy of the Gov^{r}. & Council of Batavia, their Letter to us, of the 20th. October, & to acquaint them that relying on their Representations that the Netherlands Company had no exclusive right to Natal, We permitted them to hoist His Majestys Colours there, & are sorry it has given rise to disputes with the Dutch, and tho' we don't mean to take what ever they say for granted, yet we would have a strictly impartial Inquiry made into the merits of the Case, & if it should appear that they have any such right as they pretend to, either by Contract, or otherwise Natal must be immediately evacuated but if any doubt should remain, that the affair must then be referred to us; that to facilitate their Enquirys, We have desir'd the Gov^{r}. & Council of Batavia to furnish them with authentick Copys of the agreements under which they Claim. Fort Marlbr^{o}.

AGREEABLE to Resolution of last Consultation the several setts of Companys Merchants attending, are call'd in & acquainted that the debasement of the several Manufactures (particularly the Long Cloth Ordinary) provided at this settlement, which has been gradually creeping in, notwithstanding our unwearied, tho' ineffectual endeavours to prevent it, has at length produced such loud Complaints from Europe as must lay us under a necessity of trying whether some other method than that practised of late years may not be attended with better success, that however as it has always been the Companys Rule & Maxim to act in the most open & generous manner with their servants of every Denomination, Merchants as well as others, we are unwilling to break thro' so noble a Custom by introducing any new setts of Merchants without previously acquainting those who have hitherto been employ'd with our just causes of Complaint, & giving them an opportunity of retrieving their Characters, & thereby restoring themselves to the good opinion of their Employers, that if they would undertake the Investment on the terms of last year, and promise an amendment in their several Branches, they might depend on our supporting them to the utmost of our Abilitys, as on the contrary they might be assured we should not only reject every Piece of Goods unfit for the Europe Market or inferior to Muster, but in that case require them immediately to make good their respective Ballances, that we had order'd their attendance this day to signify to them our ultimate Resolution in this respect to which their answer was expected. Proceedings on the Investment.

The Merchants having desir'd leave to withdraw to consider of what had been offer'd, after some time return'd, when Tellesinga Chittee, in the name of the whole, address'd the Board to the following Effect.

That they were very sensible & not with unconcern, how much reason there has been of late years to complain of almost every species of Goods provided on this part of the Coast, but at the same time the causes of it were no less obvious than the Effect; that the unsettled state of the Country, & the Dangers in every part of it have render'd Materials of all sorts as well as Labour much dearer than formerly (not to mention the hazard of advancing money to the Weavers, & transporting the Goods when manufactured) that it is in vain to expect the same species of Goods can be manufactured for the same Prices as were formerly given, that, sensible of the Precariousness of the times. and apprehensive of the Disrepute that might attend the meddling with the Companys Investment at such a season, they undertook it not so much with an view or expectation of immediate Profit, as thro' fear of being call'd upon if they had declin'd it, to make good their Ballances, which would as greatly affect their Credit, as the name of a Companys Merchant is a support to it, in the other Branches of their Trade that the most they can take upon themselves faithfully to promise, is, that they will exert themselves to the utmost of their Abilitys in procuring as great an amendment in their several Branches as the times will admit of, and hope the Board will put a favourable Construction on their declining to undertake for any thing further

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They were then order'd to withdraw & the Board after some time spent in deliberating on the proper measures to be taken on this occasion, and being well convinced that what the Merchants alledge is beyond contradiction true, are unanimously of opinion that it will be more for the Companys Advantage to try the present setts at least for one Year longer, than to introduce new ones as the fear of being called upon immediately, in case of Failure, for their Ballances, & of having all goods inferiour to Muster turn'd out, will we hope be a strong inducement to them to exert themselves; They were then again call'd in & acquainted that on their Promise of amendment, & on the terms declared to them the Board had resolv'd to try them another Year, to which they acquiesced, whereupon tis AGREED that each set provide the same sortments as they have hitherto done.

the same setts of Merchts. to be try'd one year longer.

ORDER'D that Capt. Edmund Maskelyne, Capt. John Brohier, & Lieutt. Edward Pero, do carefully survey all the Gun carriages, & Mortar Beds, in, & about this Garrison, and make an exact report thereof in writing to the Board.

survey of Gun Carriages order'd.

The Committee of Treasury report that they have examin'd & weigh'd the Treasure consign'd to this Presidency, by the ships Clinton, & Suffolk & that the Silver turn'd out right, but the Gold, three Ounces more than Invoice.

Committee of Treasurys Report of the Silver & Gold ₱ the Clinton and Suffolk.

The President lays before the Board Linga Chittees Contract for coining fifty Chests of Silver in Arcot or Madrass Rupees within thirty days, which are to produce fifty Chests of Rupees contains. eight thousand Rupees each Chest, & so in proportion for any further Quantity of silver that may be deliver'd him, which Contract being read (as enter'd hereafter) the Board approve thereof.

Linga Chittees contract for coining silver read.

Pursuant to Resolution of Consultation of the 7th. Instant for the purchasing Ten thousand (10,000) Madrass Pagodas for Ingeram, they are now deliver'd in, and accordingly paid for.

The Import Warehousekr. pays into Cash the sum of four hundred sixty two Pagodas twenty seven fanams, & Twenty one Cash (462. 27. 21) on accot. of Rupees sold as does

Money paid in By the Impo. Wareh°. Kr.

&

The Sea Customer, One thousand (1000) Pagodas on his running account.

Sea Customer.

THOS: SAUNDERS.
CHAS: BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR. WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CHS: BOURCHIER.

I LINGA CHITTEE do hereby acknowledge to have made an agreement with the Honble Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master to Coin fifty chests of silver into Madrass or Arcot Rupees, at the Expiration of thirty days from the date hereof, to deliver to the said Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master, fifty Chests each chest containing eight thousand Madrass or Arcot Rupees, the Remainder to be discharg'd by me Linga Chittee, Ten days after, and in like manner, if more or less silver be deliverd to me for the same purpose to be computed according to the time & Quantity above specified for the Payment thereof; IN WITNESS whereof I have hereunto set my Hand in Fort St: George 21st. May 1753.

* SORROFF LINGA CHITTEE.

WITNESS
W. BURTON.

* *Shroff* properly *Siraf*, from an Arabic word relating to expenditure. A banker, a dealer in money and exchanges; he ascertains the value of the different currencies, lends money on pledges and other security—Encyclopædia of India by Edward Balfour, Vol. III, page 613.

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Receiv'd by Tappies Genl. Letter from Fort St. David dated 19th. Instant. 23d.

Arriv'd ship Britannia, Richard Riccards, from the Malabar Coast. 24.

Sign'd & sent by Tappies Genl. Letter to Fort St. David dated this day. —

Receiv'd by Tappies Genl. Letter from Fort St. David dated 22d. Instant. 25

Do.	Do.	Do.	23d	Do.	26
Do.	Do.	Devecotah	21st.	Do.	—

Arriv'd the Honble Companys sloop Syren, Page Keble, from Bombay & Fort St. David with Genl. Letters from both those settlements, Vizt. From the former dated the 6th. the latter the 25th. Instant & Richard Starke Esqr. Depy. Govr. of Fort St. David, Passenger. 27

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVR. PRESIDT. — MONDAY THE 28TH.
RICHARD STARKE. CHARLES BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY. ALEXR: WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH. CHS: BOURCHIER.

Richard Starke Esqr. who arriv'd here the 27th. Instant, in the Syren Sloop from Fort St. David now takes his seat at the Board. Mr. Starke takes his seat.

Last Consultation read & sign'd.

Genl. Letters read Vizt. Genl. Letters read Vizt.

No. 87. 88. 89. 92. From the Deputy Govr. & Council of Fort St. David, the first dated 19th. Instant, giving us a full account of their Proceedings with the Companys Merchants, assigning the reasons that their Ballances are not decreased, and for the little progress made in the Investment, acquainting us also that they have 257 Bales on hand which they will forward to us by the first opportunity as well as what further may be brought in, which they fear will be but little whilst the Troubles subsist; that they have made a strict enquiry into the manner of Shaick Hussains Escape and find the serjeant & Guard have been guilty of a neglect of Orders, but that a Genl. Court Martial for their Tryal cannot be held till Major Lawrences Arrival. That they have remaining 1950 Bengal Maunds of salt Petre, of which 150 Candys will be as much as they can use for Gunpowder for twelve months, that the Ballances due by the Trevendeporum Renters shall be transferred to their new Books, that the Nabobs account to Ulto. April, shall be sent us as soon as possible, & the Vouchers for the delivery of every Article are ready to be produced, that if any of the Europe ships should touch there they shall agreeable to our Permission land such of the stores as they may want; that the Deputy Govr. has wrote us a seperate Letter in regard to our order for his Coming up hither and proposes waiting our answer, when, should he be again order'd to proceed, Mr. Thos. Cooke &ca. Council will take charge of the settlement, that Shaik Hussain having left some Effects, they desire to know how they are to be disposed of, that the Account Remains of Military Stores shall be sent us as soon as possible; that the Widow of the late Lieut. Monachin having presented them a Petition, they enclose us a Copy, and desire our Directions; the second dated the 22d. Instant, acknowledging the receipt of our Letter of the 16th. with a Copy From Fort St: David.

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of our Honble Masters Commands to them in relation to Colonel Scott, to which they assure us they will pay a strict regard; that the two Coppers we mention'd shall be sent us the first opportunity; the third Letter dated 23d. Instant, advising that they have drawn on us at ten days sight for Twelve thousand (12000) Arcot Rupees payable To Linga Chittee or order, Value receiv'd into the Honble Companys Cash of his attorneys; the fourth dated the 25th. Instant acquainting us that the Deputy Govr. intending to take his Passage hither on the Syren sloop from Bombay has deliver'd over the Cash to Mr. Thos. Cooke, the Ballance whereof is no more than one thousand seven hundred & sixty Pagodas twenty nine fanams, & seventy six Cash (1760. 29. 76) and as the Month is so far advanc'd, and the Demands for payment of the Military and other exigencys will require a much larger sum they desire a speedy supply, and that they may be permitted to draw on us at a shorter term than ten days, as an Encouragement to pay money into the Companys Cash there; that the Garrison is at present without any store of Grain, which in these troblesome times they think may be of bad consequences and desire our directions on this Head, enclosing a Protest deliver'd by the Captain of the Syren, against all damages that may have happen'd to his Cargo, in a Gale of Wind he met with off Ceylon.

Genl. Letter from Devecotah.

No. 90. Genl. Letter from Mr. George Dawson at Devecotah dated the 21st. Instant, advising that he sends us a Boat loaded with Erkwood amounting with the Freight to twenty six Pagodas, which is occasion'd by his being obliged to send Cooleys a great way in the Country to cut it, and desires our Directions whether he shall send any more as it turns out so expensive, that he is drawing out his accounts for last Month, & shall shortly send them.

Genl. Letter from Bombay.

No. 91. From the President & Council of Bombay, dated 6th. Instant acknowledging the receipt of our Letter of the 12th. February, and acquainting us that it is not in their Power to send us any supplies of Men from thence excepting Topasses, Who are not to be depended on, that they send us on the Syren sloop, five hundred Barrells of Gunpowder & three thousand shot receiv'd this season from Europe.

Petition of the Widow of Lieut. A Moinichen for a Pension, read.

The Petition of Anna Maria a Moinichen Widow of Henry a Moinichen Decd. read as enterd after the General Letter from Fort St. David dated 19th. Instant, setting forth that her said Husband, late a Lieutt. in the Companys service lost his life in the defence of Trivedy Fort, & has left her in necessitous Circumstances with one Child & pregnant of another, and praying that the Companys usual Bounty in the like cases may be extended to her.

5 Pagodas ℔ Month to be allow'd her.

Order'd that in Consideration of the Gallant & faithfull service of the late Mr. A. Moinichen and of the necessitous Circumstances of his Widow, that she be allow'd five Pagodas a Month for her present support, untill our Honble Masters Pleasure be known.

Genl. Letter to Fort St. David.

Genl. Letter to Mr. Thos. Cooke &ca. Council at Fort St. David is now sign'd, acknowledging the receipt of their several Letters, & acquainting them that as soon as the Syren has landed her Cargo, we shall return her to them with a supply of Cash, and as they think the granting Bills on us at a short term will encourage the paying of money into their Cash, they may draw at five days sight; that another Sloop is coming from Bombay with a further supply of five hundred Barrells of Powder, which we would have them land & dispatch the Sloop to us and as we have reason to beleive the Shirley, a Country Ship, from Bengal has also some on board, that too must be landed there; that we would, by all means have them lay in a proper Store of Grain: That we have agreed to allow the Widow a Moinichen five Pagodas a Month, which their Military Paymaster must discharge that we are in want of two Pair of Smiths Bellows if any are in store they must be sent us. As to Shaik Hussains Effects an Inventory must be taken & forwarded to us for our directions.

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Report survey of Gun carriages read.

Pursuant to an order of last Consultation a Report Survey of the Gun Carriages in this Garrison by Capt. Maskelyne & Brohier & Lieutt Pero, is now read, (as enter'd hereafter) ORDER'D that such as are reported unserviceable be broke up & replaced with new ones, that such as need it be repair'd & that the Old Iron Work be employ'd agreeable to the said report.

Order Thereon.

Copper to be sent to Vizagapatam & to be coin'd there for the use of the No. settlements.

The Northern Investments being much impeded by the want of Copper Money, AGREED to send a sufficient Quantity to Vizagapatam by the first opportunity, for the use of the three Factorys, and that they be directed to endeavour to get it coin'd there.

The Poonamalee renters agree to pay the Ballance of the Cowle which expird the 10th. of June last in a Month.

The President acquaints the Board that the Renters of the Poonamalee Country having from time to time deferr'd the Payment of what remains due on the Cowle which expired the 30th. of June last, alledging that the allowance of Twelve thousand Pagodas agreed in Consultation the 9th. October last in Consideration of the Losses sustain'd there by the ravages of the Enemy was inadequate to the Damage they had suffer'd, he within a few days past order'd them to attend him, & peremptorily insisted on their Paying without further delay the Ballance due on that Cowle, after deducting the abovemention'd Twelve thousand Pagodas unless they would take the most solemn Oath before their God in the Pagoda, according to the Custom of the Gentous, that their Damages really & bonâ fide amounted to more, this they all declined, & rather chose to pay the sum in Question which they have promis'd to do in a Month.

Surgeons of the Clinton & Suffolk petition for Head Money

The Petitions of Zachariah Mudge Surgeon of the Clinton, & Samuel Talcot Surgeon of the Suffolk, being read (as enter'd hereafter) respectively praying to be allow'd the usual Head Money on twenty six Recruits landed here out of the Clinton & forty eight out of the Suffolk, ORDER'D that the Military Paymaster do discharge the same being first satisfyed that they have been properly attended during the Voyage, & have no cause of Complaint.

Bill of Exchange from Fort St. David to be accepted & paid.

A Bill of Exchange for Twelve thousand (12000) Arcot Rupees drawn on us from Fort St. David, at ten days sight payable to Linga Chittee or order, as advised in the General Letter dated the 23d. Instant being presented to the Board, Order'd that it be accepted & paid when due.

Monthly Accot. read Vizt Mint.

Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master reads that account for last Month Ballance remaing. in the Mint Eighty three Arcot Rupees five anaes (83. 5. –) which is carried forward due from the Mint, Sixty six (66) Madrass Pagodas, which are paid in, & to the Mint Sixteen Current Pagodas, three fanams & ten Cash (16. 3. 10) which are paid him.

Expe: Worehouse

Charles Boddam Export Warehousekr. reads that account for last Month, Ballance due from him one thousand two hundred & Twenty nine Pags. eighteen fanams, and Eleven Cash (1229. 18. 11) which is Carried forward.

Paymr.

Charles Boddam Paymr. reads that account for last Month.

CHARGES GARRISON	224	3	3[1]
CHARGES HOSPITAL	215	3	6[0]
PEONS & SERVANTS WAGES	414	4	—
CHARGES GENERAL	57	32	72
CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY	374	22	53
REPAIRS	553	18	42
FORTIFICATIONS	1371	33	60
MATERIALS supplyd Mr. Brohier for the use of Fortifications & Repairs	2259	6	13
St: THOME & Ca. Villages	24	31	20
Carried Over ..	5495	12	31

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Brought Over ..	5495	12	31
POONAMALEEE & Ca. VILLAGES	179	33	60
FORT MARLBOROUGH	108	—	—
CHARGES CATTLE	66	24	—
CHARGES DIET	583	12	—
	6433	10	11

Ballance due from him, five hundred & thirty three Pagodas and Twenty three Cash (533. 23. –) [*Sic*] which is carried forward.

The Particulars of the Extraordinary Charges in the Paymasters account are Enter'd hereafter.

Sea Customer. Henry Powney Sea Customer reads that account for last Month, Ballance due from him nine thousand, eight hundred, & ninety nine Pagodas twenty three fanams, and seventy one Cash (9899. 23. 71) which is carried forward.

Impo. Warehouse. Henry Powney Import Warehousekr. reads that account for last Month, Ballance due from him, Twenty six thousand four hundred, and forty four Pagodas, twenty nine fanams and forty six Cash (26444. 29. 46) which is carried forward.

Journal Parcells for March. Henry Powney accountant reads the Journal Parcells for March.

Storekr. Alexr. Wynch Storekr. reads that account for last Month Ballance due from him five hundred & fifty six Pagodas, fifteen fanams, & sixty Cash, (556. 15. 60) which is carried forward.

Military Storekr. Alexr. Wynch Military Storekr. reads that account for last Month, Ballance due from him, seventy one Pagodas, twenty nine fanams, & twelve Cash (71. 29. 12) which is continued in his hands, & (550) Pags. more advanc'd him to defray the Charges of that Employ.

Military Paymr. John Smith Military Paymr. reads that account for last Month Ballance due from him One thousand, four hundred, & sixty nine Pagodas, thirty three fanams, and ten Cash (1469. 33. 10) which is carried forward.

Land Customer. John Smith Land Customer reads that account for last Month, Ballance due from him seven hundred and sixty five Pagodas, two fanams, & Twenty Cash (765. 2. 20) which he now pays in.

Money paid in on accot. the Arrack & Wine Licence & on accot. the Beetle & Tobacco Farm. Pitloor Vencata Kistnah & Kellava Chittee Farmers of the Arrack & Wine Licence pay in the sum of six hundred sixty six Pagodas, twenty four fanams (666. 24. –) for two Months rent of that Cowle due the 1st. Instant

Linga Chittee & Kellava Chittee Beetle & Tobacco Farmers pay in the sum of thirteen hundred & thirty three Pagodas, twelve fanams for two Months rent due the 1st. Instant.

Cash advanc'd. AGREED that the following advances be made out of Cash Vizt.

To the Commissary Paymr. & Military Paymr. To the Commissary to defray the expences of the Troops abroad sixteen hundred Twenty one Pagodas, twenty two fanams and thirty Cash (1621. 22. 30).

To the Paymr. for Disbursements, six thousand five hundred (6500) Pagodas and

To the Military Paymr. to pay the Military, four thousand & Eighty one Pags. two fanams, & Seventy four Cash (4081. 2. 74).

THOS. SAUNDERS.
RICHD. STARKE.
CHAS. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR. WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CHS. BOURCHIER.

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A REPORT of the Carriages &c^{a}. survey'd in the Artillery Park, May the 25th. 1753.

				Repair-able.	Unser-viceable.	Totall.
24	Pounders ..	Truck Carriages	..	4	6	10
18	do. ..	do.	..	16	4	20
12	do. ..	do.	..	1	5	6
9	do. ..	do.	..	—	6	6
3	do. ..	do.	..	—	5	5
2	do. ..	do.	..	—	4	4
1	do. ..	do.	..	—	4	4
3	do. ..	Field do.	..	—	3	3
	Howitzer Bed	.. ..	..	—	1	1
	Mortar Bed	.. ..	..	—	1	1
	Europe Wheels	.. ..	..	—	4	4
	Timbers for 3 Pounders	..	..	—	3	3
				—	—	—
		Totall	..	21	46	67
				—	—	—

HON'BLE SIR & SIRS

Having survey'd the above Carriages &c^{a}. by order from your Hon^{r}. &c^{a} Council, We are of opinion that they are in the Condition above specified but that most part of the Iron Work of the unserviceable Carriages may be employ'd to repair or make others. We are

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
MAY 25TH. 1753.

HON'BLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Humble & Most Obed^{t}. Servants,
EDM^{D}. MASKELYNE.
JOHN BROHIER.
EDW^{D}. PERO.

TO THE HON'BLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQ^{R}.
PRESID^{T}. &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

TO THE HON'BLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQ^{R}.
PRESID^{T}. & GOV^{R}. & C^{A}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

THE HUMBLE PETITION OF ZACHARIAH MUDGE SURGEON OF THE CLINTON

SHEWETH

That Twenty six Military having been landed at this Place from the Clinton, out of Twenty nine brought from England, of whom your Petitioner had the care during the Voyage, he humbly prays your Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. Council will be pleas'd to order him the usual head Money allowed in the like cases

AND Your Petitioner shall ever pray &c^{a}.

TO THE HON'BLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQ^{R}.
PRESID^{T}. & GOV^{R}. & C^{A}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

THE HUMBLE PETITION OF SAMUEL TALCOT SURGEON OF THE SUFFOLK

SHEWETH

That your Petitioner having carefully attended the Military Recruits consign'd to this Presidency, on the Ship Suffolk to the number of Forty eight he humbly prays to be allow'd the usual Head Money in such cases.

AND your Petitioner shall ever pray &c^{a}.

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EXTRAORDINARY EXPENCES in the PAYMR: ACCOTS: are in the following Particulars, April 30th. 1753.

HOSPITAL CHARGES.

Surgeons note More than last month .. .. Pags.	28	13	32
CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY	374	22	53
REPAIRS	553	18	42
FORTIFICATIONS	1371	33	60
MATERIALS supplied Mr. Brohier for the use of Fortifications & Repairs	2259	6	13
St. THOME & ca. Villages	24	31	20
POONAMALEE & ca. Villages	179	33	60
FORT MARLBOROUGH	108	—	—
Pagodas ..	4900	15	30

30. Sail'd ship Prince Edward (formerly the Saunders) Hamilton Parkinson for Batavia with Genl. Letters to the Govr. & Council there, and to the Deputy Govr. & Council of Fort Marlborough dated the 27th. Instant.

31. Sail'd Brigantine St. George . . . for Puliacat.

JUNE 1st. Sail'd ship Speedwell John Coatsworth, for Bengal.

— Do. Brigantine, Taccaradmanjel, Vibourahim, for Bengal.

— Sent by Pattamar Two Genl. Letters to the Presidt. & Council of Bombay, the first dated 26th. Ultº. as mention'd in Consultation the 21st. the other dated 31st. Ultº. advising the Arrival of the Syren & Sea Horse, the former of which will be sent to St. David with a supply of money.

1 Arrived the Honble Companys sloop Sea Horse, John Spencer from Bombay with a Genl. Letter from the Honble the Presidt. & Council there dated 13th. Ultimo.

2 Arriv'd snow Calcutta, James Mackie, from Bengal, & Fort St. David, with a Genl. Letter from the Gentlemen at both those settlements, the former dated the 19th. of March, the other 31st. Ultimo.

— Sail'd ship St. Antonio, Caitan de Sicaira, for Macao.

3 Sail'd ship Britannia, Richard Riccards, for Bengal.

4 Do. sloop Success William Woolly, for Do.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY THE 4TH.

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVR. PRESIDT.
RICHARD STARKE. CHARLES BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY. ALEXR. WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH. CHARLES BOURCHIER

Last Consultation read & sign'd.

Genl. Leettrs read Vizt. From.

Genl. Letters read Vizt.

Nº. 93, From the Hon'ble the President & Council of Bombay dated 13th. Ultº. advising that they have order'd the Companys sloop Sea Horse bound for Bengal to touch here to deliver us five hundred Barrells of Gunpowder & three thousand shot.

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Nº. 94 From the Hon'ble the President & Council of Bengal dated 19th. March, advising that they have consign'd us by the Shirley a country ship sixty one Chests of Gunpowder, and shall forward us as much more as they can procure by the month [of] September. Benga.

Nº. 95. From Thomas Cooke Esqr. &ca. Council of Fort St. David dated 31st. May acquainting us that they will observe our directions for landing the Gunpowder out of the sloop expected from Bombay & also the Shirley if they should touch there, that they have directed a quantity of Grain to be laid in, that they send us on the Calcutta snow the two Coppers, we indented for, & two pair of Europe Bellows, which they desire may be return'd them, in case we can supply ourselves out of the Europe ships; that they have acquainted Andeapah Moodelaire with our order for deferring his cause till the Erection of a Mayors Court, but before they had receiv'd our directions on this head, He had deliver'd into Council a Petition setting forth the nature of his demand, that by Letter from DeveCotah they are inform'd the Enemy have detach'd a part of their Force to Verdachilum, that they had consulted Captⁿ. Clarke, & Gardiner thereon, who are of opinion that Fort is already capable of maintaining itself, unless Heavy Cannon should be brought against it, in which case any Reinforcement they could spare, would be of no service, for which reasons they have not sent any; that they omit sending their Monthly Papers, the Cash account not being closed, on account of some Ballances which are not yet paid in, but the Account remains of Military stores shall be forwarded in a few days, that they have drawn on us two setts of Bills at 5 days sight. Fort St: David.

One set for ten thousand (10000) Arcot Rupees payable to Buckanjee Cashedoss, Value receiv'd of him.

One sett for Twenty three thousand four hundred (23,400) Arcot Rupees, payable to Alexr. Wynch Esqr. Value receiv'd of Mr. James Reppington and acquainting us that Capt. John Clarke has resignd his Commission.

AGREED that a General Letter be wrote to Thos. Cooke Esqr. &ca. Council at Fort St. David, acquainting them that we shall in a few days send the Syren Sloop to them with a supply of Cash, Broad Cloth, Gun powder, and spare Arms, on which Vessell the Deputy Govr. will return, that as it is probable none of the Europe ships, except the Winchelsea, will touch there, being consign'd directly hither, in case any of them should appear in the Offing, a signal must be made to bring them to, and we would have all their Officers, Military Gunpowder, and such stores as may be wanted at St. David, landed there, & that they may take twenty five Pipes of Madeira, out of the Winchelsea for the use of that settlement, that the Gunpowder receiv'd from Bengal turns out very bad, therefore if the Shirley should touch there, the Gunpowder, we have directed them to land out of her must be tried, & if it proves bad, reserv'd for salutes, that in regard to Andeapahs affair, we still think the Mayors Court the properest Place to decide it, & therefore will not interfere, that we approve their resolution in regard to Verdachilum, that we shall discharge their Draughts on us, & that we shall fill up the vacancy by Captain Clarkes resignation. Genl. Letter to be wrote to St. David.

The Clinton & Suffolk being almost ready to be dispatch'd ORDER'D that a General Letter be prepar'd to Messrs. Phipps, Revell, Harrington, Hull, & Smith to the Purport as agreed in Consultation the 14th. Ultimo. Letter to be wrote to the supra Cargos of the Clinton & Suffolk.

Two Bales of Broad Cloth being mention'd at the Foot of the Clintons Invoice, to have been shipp'd last year on board the Rhoda, & consign'd to this Presidency but omitted in the Invoice 'tis AGREED that as those Bales were not landed here, a General Letter be wrote to Mr. Frederick Pigou, Supra Cargo of that ship, who is now in Canton acquainting him therewith, & that in case Mr. Pigou, at Canton to be wrote to about two Bales of Broad Cloth, omitted to

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be invoiced last year ℔ Rhoda & carried to China.

they should have been left with him, we request that they may be disposed of, if an advantagious Price should offer, & the Produce remitted us in Gold, otherwise that the Cloth be sent us by any good conveyance.

Report of the Proof of Bengal Gunpowder.

order thereon.

Mr. John Brohiers Report of the Proof of Gunpowder receiv'd from Bengal being read (as enter'd hereafter) whereby it appears to be of so bad a Quality, that one ounce of it did not move a shell out of a Cohorn Mortar, when the same quantity of Fort St. David Powder threw it forty three yards, Order'd that the same be reserved for Salutes only, & that a copy of the Report be sent to the Gentlemen at Bengal for their information.

Syren & Sea Horse sloops to call at Vizagm. to lend money &ca.

Agreed that we take the Opportunity of the Honble Companys sloops Syren & Sea Horse bound to Bengal to supply the Northern settlements with Cash, and the other articles they are in want of, & that they be order'd to touch at Vizagapatam to deliver the same.

Copy of the List of Investment to be given to Mr. Starke.

Order'd that a Copy of the List of Investment receiv'd by the Clinton & Suffolk be deliver'd to Mr. Starke to be laid before the Council at Fort St. David and that they be required to be particularly attentive to the several Complaints & directions therein, & use the best means they can to rectify what is found amiss.

Poonamalee Renters pay in money on account.

Numboor Soubia, Linga Chittee &ca. Renters of the Poonamalee Country pay in seven thousand five hundred Pagodas (7500) in part of what is due from them on that Cowle.

Cash acct. read.

The President reads the Cash account for last Month, Ballance remaining compar'd with the chest, fifty two thousand seven hundred & twenty seven Pagodas current, nineteen fanams, & thirteen Cash (52727. 19. 13) & seventy nine (79) Madrass Pags.

Fort St. David Bills tender'd & order'd to be paid, when due.

The Two Bills of Exchange drawn on us from Fort St. David, as advised in the Genl. Letter from thence dated 31st. Ulto. one for ten thousand (10,000) Arcot Rupees payable to Buckanjee Cashedoss and the other for twenty three thousand four hundred (23400) Arcot Rupees payable to Alexr. Wynch Esqr. being presented to the Board, Order'd that they be accepted & paid when due.

Acct. Deficiencys ℔ ships Clinton & Suffolk produced.

The storekr. & Military Storekr. lay before the Board (as enter'd hereafter) the accounts of deficiencys in the Consignments from England by the Clinton & Suffolk, & acquaint the Board the Commanders have duely accounted for the same.

Money paid into Cash by the Impo. wareho.kr. & Sea Customer.

The Import Warehousekr. pays into Cash, the sum of Four thousand & fifty four Pagodas, one fanam, & seventy six Cash (4054. 1. 76) on account of Rupees sold, And

The Sea Customer, One thousand (1000) Pagodas on his running account.

(10,000) Pags. advanced the Commissary to pay for Tanjore Bills.

Order'd that the sum of ten thousand (10,000) Pagodas be paid the Commissary to discharge the amount of the Remittance on Buccanjees House at Tanjore for the use of the Army.

Thos. Saunders.
Richd. Starke.
Chas. Boddam.
Henry Powney.
Ar. Wynch.
John Smith.
Chs. Bourchier.

FORT ST. GEORGE, MAY 1753.

Dr.	The Honble United Companys Cash				Per Contra				Cr.
1	To Ballance brought from last months account .. .. Pags.	42390	35	60	2	By John Smith Military Paymr. advanc'd him to pay the Mility.	4315	28	34
7	To Henry Powney Import Warehousekr. receiv'd of him on account of Rupees sold ..	4210	18	77	—	By Charles Boddam Paym . advanc'd him for Disbursements	6763	5	55
—	To Henry Powney Sea Customer receiv'd of him on his running account	1000	—	—	7	By Alexr. Wynch Commissary advanc'd him to defray the expences of the Troops abroad.	1578	34	9
14	To Henry Powney Import Wareho.kr. receiv'd of him Vizt.				10	By Fort St. David paid a Bill of Exchange drawn on us by the Deputy Govr. & Council dated 27th. Ulto. in favour of Capt. Robert Gascoigne for money receiv'd into the Honble Compys Cash there A.Rs. 4000 @ 380 ℔ %.	1052	22	59
	On account of Broad Cloth sold. .. Pags.	15000	—	—	11	By Alexr. Wynch Commissary advanced him to defray the expences of the Troops abroad.	3684	7	46
	On account of Rupees sold	3684	7	46	18	By Fort St. David paid a Bill of Exchange drawn on us by the Deputy Govr, & Council dated 3d. Instt. in favour of John Smith Esqr. for money receiv'd into the Honble Companys Cash there A.Rs. 4000 @ 380 ℔ %.	1052	22	59
		18684	7	46	21	By Madrass Pagodas purchas'd	10000	—	—
21	To Henry Powney Import Wareho.kr. rec'd of him on account of Rups. sold	462	27	21	—	By Batta 10 ℔ ct. on 10000 Madrass Pagodas.	1000	—	—
—	To Henry Powney Sea Customer receiv'd of him further on his running account ..	1000	—	—	28	By Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master paid him the Ballce. of that account for last Month	16	3	10
	To Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master receiv'd of him the Ballance of that account for last Month. Mss. Pags.	66	—	—	—	By Madrass Pagodas for the Mint April Ballance	66	—	—
—	To John Smith Land Customer receiv'd of him the Ballce. of that account for last Month.	765	2	20	—	By Alexr. Wynch Military Storekr, advanc'd him for the charges of that Employ ..	550	—	—
—	To Henry Powney Import wareho.kr. receiv'd of him Vizt.						30079	16	32
	In further part on account of Broad Cloth sold, Pags.	10000	—	—	31st.	By Ballance carried to next Months account.	52727	19	13
	On account of Rupees sold	2227	15	61					
		12227	15	61					
—	To Pitloor Vencaty Kistnah & Kellava Chittee Farmers of the Arrack & Wine Licence receiv'd two Months rent due the 1st. Instant	666	24						
—	To Linga Chittee, & Kellava Chittee Beetle & Tobacco Farmers receiv'd two Months rent due the 1st. Instant	1333	12						
	Star or Currt: Pags: ..	82806	35	45		Star or Curr't Pags. ..	82806	35	45

FORT ST. GEORGE, MAY 1758.

	Madrass Pagodas	Dr.		
1	To Ballance brought from last Months account	13	—	—
21	To the Hon'ble United Companys Cash Purchased	10,000	—	—
28	To the Hon'ble United Companys Cash for the Mint April Ballance	66	—	—
	Pags.	10,079	—	—

	Per Contra	Cr.		
21	By Ingeram Residency, sent thither by a Country Vessell named the Streevencataish.	10,000	—	—
31	By Ballance carried to next Months account ..	79	—	—
	Pags.	10,079	—	—

Errors Excepted
℔ Thos. Saunders.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, JUNE 1753*——

To the Hon'ble Thos. Saunders Esqr.
President & Govr. &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

Hon'ble Sir & Sirs

Having receiv'd order from the Honourable Presidt. to prove the Powder lately arriv'd from Bengal, I caused a quantity to be well dry'd, & upon Tryal of it with a Cohorn Mortar, & this Country Powder, found it carry'd the shell the undermention'd ranges.

Bengal Powder.	Fort St. David Powder.
1 ounce did not move the shell out of the Mortar.	1 ounce carried the shell 43 yards.
2 ounces threw the shell 2 Yd's.	2 ounces .. .. 98 Do.
4 Ozs. .. .. 77 Do.	4 Ozs. .. .. 560 Do.

which ranges compar'd together plainly demonstrate that the Bengal Powder is hardly fit for salutes, even in double quantitys of the usual charge; as this country Powder is much inferior to Europe Powder; and on examination of the Bengal Powder find that there is scarce ⅓ part of the quantity of salpetre there should be in it, & the Ingredients are not properly prepar'd nor mix'd together.

Fort St. George
3d June 1753.

I am with profound respect
Hon'ble Sir & Sirs
Your most humble & most Obedt. servant,
J. Brohier.

Accot. : Deficiencys, & the short Delivery ℔ following ships.

Clinton.

June 4th.

3 Pounder Iron Round shot 55

Pzs. ℔ 1 1 25		£ 1 2 8	
Advance	30 ℔ Ct.	- 6 9	
			P. F. C.
		£ 1 9 5	or 3 24 30

Suffolk.

Flints 900		£ — 8 11	
3 Pounder Iron Round shot 32 Pzs. ..		— 13 2	
	qrs. lb.		
	℔ 3 12		
		1 2 1	
Advance 30 ℔ Ct.		— 6 7	
		£ 1 8 8	or 3 21 -

A. Wynch
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ACCOUNT of Deficiencys in Weight & the short Delivery ℔ following ships.

CLINTON.

					q.	lbs				
June 4th. 1753	IRON ...	Bar	..	℔ 5	3	17	£. 4	13	3¼	
		Blot	..	3	2	7	4	14	5	
		Rod	..	2	3	20	2	17	5½	
		Hoop	..	3	3	1	3	18	11¼	
	SEA COALS ..			27 Bushells			1	5	9	
							17	9	10	
		Advance 30 ℔ Ct.					5	4	11½	
							£ 22	14	9	
						s				
		@ 8 ℔ Pags. is Pags.								56 30 45

SUFFOLK.

				qr.	lb.				
IRON ..	Bar	..	℔ 12	1	10	£. 11	4	—	
	Bolt	..	6	—	15	8	2	6	
	Rod	..	1	—	20	1	3	4	
4 Nails		..	1	1	12	2	16	9	
6 do.		..	—	3	15	1	14	—	
20 do.		..	—	—	2	—	—	7	
24 do.		..	—	2	17	1	—	1	
30 do.		..	—	1	23	—	14	—	
40 do.		..	—	—	3	—	—	10	
	Sheathing.		—	2	9	—	17	10	
	Spike	..	—	—	2	—	—	6	
SEACOALS		41 Bushells				1	19	1	
						29	13	6	
	Advance 30 ℔ Ct.					8	18	½	
						£ 38	11	6½	
					s				
	@ 8 ℔ Pags. is Pags.								96 15 75

A. WYNCH
Stkr.

5 Arriv'd Brigantine Sta. Anna, Vincenta Liveira Payra from Bengal.

6 Sail'd snow Fanny Roger Woodburn for Bengal.

Do. Brigantine Sta. Rheta, Lawce. Miguel de Vauss for Tavay.

Sent by Tappies General Letter to Fort St. David dated this day.

— Received by Tappies Genl. Letter from Fort St. David, dated 3rd. instt.

8 The following Dispatches as agreed at the last Consultation were this day sign'd & deliver'd Vizt.

Genl. Letter to Messrs. Phipps, Ravell, Harrington, Hull, & Smith.

Genl. Letter to Mr. Frederick Pigou at Canton.

Dispatch to Capt. John Nanfan of the Clinton.

Do. . . . Willm. Wilson of the Suffolk.

9 Sail'd the Hon'ble Companys ships Clinton, John Nanfan and Suffolk, William Wilson for Canton.

— Do. Ship Alimadelt Tamyah Syrang, for Vatada.

— Receiv'd by Tappies Genl. Letter from Fort St. David dated 6th Instt.

— At Five O'clock in the afternoon anchor'd in the Road the Hon'ble Compy's ship Marlborough, Capt. William Parks from England, with a Packet from the Court of Directors for this Presidency, & Mr. John Davidson, Writer & Messrs. Donald Campbell & John Frazer Ensigns Passengers.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVR. PRESIDT.
RICHARD STARKE. CHARLES BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY. ALEXR. WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH. CHARLES BOURCHIER.

SATURDAY THE 9TH. AT 6 IN THE EVENING.

The Packet from the Hon'ble Court of Directors for this Presidency by the Marlborough being open'd, compar'd with the List, & agreeing therewith, the General Letter, List of Investment &ca. were then perused & found to be Copys of those receiv'd by the ships Clinton & Suffolk.

Packet from England ℔ Marlbro' read.

ORDER'D that the Packet directed to the Honble the President & Council of Bombay which came enclos'd in the Packet by the Marlborough be forwarded thither by the first safe Opportunity.

Letter in the Marlbro's packet for Bombay to be forwarded.

An Order is now sign'd to Capt. Wm. Parks for the delivery of the Military, Treasure, Wares, & stores on board the Marlborough belonging to the Company consign'd to this Presidency.

Order to Capt. Parks for delivery of Treasure &ca.

And the Committee of Treasury are desir'd to examine the Treasure when brought on shore & see it weigh'd, in the presence of the Captain or Purser, & report to the Board whether it turns out right.

Committee of Treasury to examine the Treasure & report.

Last Consultation read & sign'd.

No. 96 & 97 Genl. Letters from Mr. Thos. Cooke &ca. Council at Fort St. David the first dated the 3d. Instant, advising us of the arrival there of the Hon'ble Companys sloop Dragon with our Consignments, & that they should have return'd her to us directly with Bales, but that she proves so leaky as to require immediate repair, which they will get done, & dispatch her to us, & enclosing an Inventory of Shaick Hussains Effects, & Indents for stores Civil & Military with which they desire our compliance, as well as with their former request for a supply of Broad Cloth & small arms, the other dated the 6th. Instant advising that they have drawn on us for twelve hundred & forty four (1244) Arcot Rupees payable at five days sight to Capt. Edward Roche or order, Value receiv'd into the Hon'ble Compys Cash of him.

Genl. Letter from Fort St. David read.

The abovemention'd Bill of Exchange being now presented to the Board, ORDER'D that it be accepted & paid when due.

Bill from St. David to be accepted & paid.

ORDER'D that Copys of the Indents from Fort St. David for Civil & Military stores be deliver'd to the proper Officers, who are hereby directed to prepare the same as soon as conveniently may be, to be sent thither as occasions may offer.

Copys of St. David, Indent to be deliver'd the proper Officers.

Richard Starke Esqr. intending to embark tomorrow on board the Syren sloop for Fort St. David, AGREED that a supply of one hundred thousand (100,000) Rupees, & Twenty five thousand (25000) Pagodas, some Broad Cloth, Medicines, Gunpowder, shot & small arms be sent on her for the use of that settlement, that the Gentlemen there be advised of the same by General Letter, also that Mr. Starke has a copy of the List of Investment receiv'd this season from Europe, to which their praticular attention is required, that as soon as the Syrens, Consignments are deliver'd, she must be return'd hither with what Bales are ready.

Money &ca. to be sent to St. David ℔ Syren & the Gentn. to be wrote to.

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Tellicherry & Anjengo to be wrote to.

AGREED also that Genl. Letters be prepared to the Chiefs & Factors at Tellicherry & Anjengo, advising them of the Arrival here of the Clinton, Suffolk, and Marlborough, enclosing a list of shipping intended for India this season, & desiring that they will advise us from time to time how their Investments are likely to turn out, that we may be the better able to concert measures for saving our Hon'ble Masters as much of the heavy charge of Demorage as possible.

No Pagodas or Choultrys be erected in the Bounds without leave of the Presdt. & Council.

It being observed to the Board that it is a piece of Vanity very frequent amongst the wealthier part of the Black Inhabitants, Merchants, Dubashes and Conicoplys to build Pagodas, by which they acquire the good opinion & respect of the low and ignorant Poor, whose superstition & Veneration for these kind of Buildings is without bound, tho' in reality they themselves are oblig'd to contribute a part of the Fruits of their Labours, towards their support, which tends greatly to the discouragement of Industry, & as there are already more Pagodas within the Bounds than are necessary for the Inhabitants to resort to for their Worship; It is moved that no other Pagodas be suffer'd to be erected within the Bounds without leave first obtain'd from the Presidt. & Council for the time being; the Board having consider'd the foregoing are of opinion that the restraining this useless piece of Vanity will be of service to the Black Inhabitants, as it will prevent their being yet more loaded with unnecessary Taxes, 'tis therefore RESOLVED that an order be struck up at the Gates & other publick places, & also published by beat of Tom Tom prohibiting the erection in future of any Pagoda within the Companys Limits, without leave first obtain'd of the Presid't. & Council, under such Pains, & Penalties as they shall think fit.

Sundry Disputes having lately arisen between the Right & Left hand Casts & others in regard to the performance of certain ceremonys in their Weddings at St. Thome notwithstanding the order published last Year* upon the like Complaint directing that the Ceremonys of each Cast be perform'd according to their respective ancient Customs, but as the Board are not sufficiently inform'd of the nature of the case to make any determinate order thereon, The President undertakes to inform himself more particularly & to acquaint the Board with the result of his Enquiry in the mean time it is RESOLVED that the Rules, Laws, & Orders relating to the performing of Ceremonys amongst the Black Inhabitants hitherto observed within the Companys ancient Bounds do also extend to & be observed in like manner at St. Thome & Poonamalee, & that notice thereof be published by Beat of Tom Tom, & affixed up at the Sea Gates, & other publick Places.

*Vide Consultn. 4th May 1752.

Ancient Rules & Orders about the Casts & their ceremonies to be observ'd at St. Thome & Poonamalee.

Companys Merchts. &ca. not to rent Towns &ca. of the Country Governmt.

The President acquaints the Board that he is inform'd some of the Companys Merchants Dubashes, Conicoplies &ca. both here & at Fort St. David are concern'd in renting Districts, Towns, or Villages of the Country Government, which he is of opinion may in the end be of bad consequences, & involve us in dispute under various pretences, which are never wanting, when it suits a convenient purpose to cavil, he therefore proposes that this Practice be discourag'd in future as much as possible, in which the Board entirely concur.

The Gentn. at Bengal, be wrote to, not to consign country ships, to Moors Ports. [on the]Coast is it prejudices Companys Customs. *Vide Genl. Letter from England 4th. Janry. 1734. Para 34th.

It being observ'd that several Country ships from Bengal have of late made it a practice to land the Cargos at Nagore & other Moors Ports to the southward, where agents are left to vend them, and purchase others in return, whereby our Hon'ble Masters have already suffer'd in their Customs, & may probably in time more sensible feel the Effects, if some means are not found to discourage this Trade and their [*sic*] being a standing order in the year 1734* directing that a clause be inserted in all Passes prohibiting them from touching or breaking Bulk at any Moors Ports to the southward of Madrass unless in cases of absolute necessity 'tis AGREED that a Copy of the said order be sent to the Gentlemen at Bengal, that they be acquainted with the bad Consequences to our Hon'ble Masters of consigning ships to Moors Ports, & that we desire & recommend to them to discourage it as much as possible.

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As it is highly necessary all the Garrisons should be well stored with Grain, AGREED that a sufficiency be laid in in for four Months at DeveCotah, and that Mr. George Dawson be directed to purchase the same. Four Months Grain to be laid in at Deve Cotah.

The Import Warehousekeeper pays into Cash the sum of ten thousand eight hundred & ten Pagodas, twenty nine fanams, & fifteen Cash (10810. 29. 15) on account of Rupees sold. Impo. Wareho. kr. pays money into Cash

AGREED that two thousand four hundred & thirty two Pagodas, five fanams & forty five Cash (2432. 5. 45) be advanc'd the Commissary to defray the Expences of the Troops abroad. Cash. advanc'd the Commissary.

The Cowle for the Poonamalee Country expiring the first of next Month it is recommended to the several Members of the Board to make a proper enquiry whether there may be any probability of letting it again, on the same or better terms

THOS. SAUNDERS.
RICHD. STARKE.
CHAS. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR. WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CHS. BOURCHIER.

Sent by Pattamar Genl. Letters to the Chief & Factors at Tellicherry & Anjengo both dated this day. 10

Sail'd the Honble Companys Sloop Syren, Page Keble for Fort St. David with a Genl. Letter to the Gentlemen there dated yesterday, and Richard Starke Esqr. Passenger who returns to take charge of that settlement. 11

Do. ship Norwood, John De Castro, for Bengal. —

Arriv'd ship Strevencataish, Gungoulou, from Junkceylon. 12

Do. Sloop Vianen, John De Ruyter, from Puliacat. —

Sail'd snow Calcutta, James Mackie, for Bengal. —

Do. ship Mary, Edward Roach, for Do. 13

Do. Sloop Vianen, John de Ruyter, for Negaptam. —

Receiv'd by Peons Genl. Letter from Ingeram dated 10th. Ulto. —

Arriv'd ship St. Juan Baptista, Thos. Coja Maul, from Pegue. 15

Sail'd ship Dragon, Dugald Mc. Eacharn, for Tavay. —

Do. ship Experiment, John Mackmath, for Bengal.

Receiv'd by Tappies Genl. Letter from Fort St. David dated 12th. Instt. 16

Do. Devecotah 12th. do. —

Arriv'd ship Oost Capel, Jan Hoyer, from Negapatam.

Do. Sloop Metchle from Puliacat. —

Do. Brigantine St. George, Thos. Rhymoet, from Do. —

Sail'd sloop Metchle . . . for Puliacat. 1

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY 18TH.

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVR. PRESIDT.
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXR: WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

Last Consultation read & sign'd.

Genl. Letters read, Vizt.

Genl. Letter from Ingeram read.

No. 98 From Mr. Foss Westcott at Ingeram dated 10th. of May, enclosing Journal Parcells and Cash account for last Month.

Genl. Letter from Fort St. David read.

No. 99 From Mr. Thomas Cooke &ca. Council at Fort St. David dated 12th. Instant, enclosing account of Military stores remaining there, also Invoice of the Coppers & Bellows lately sent us, acknowledging the receipt of our Letter of the 6th. Instt. which they promise a punctual observance of, and assure us that their accounts for April being very near compleated shall be forwarded to us very shortly.

Genl. Letter from Deve Cotah read.

No. 100 From Mr. George Dawson at Devecotah dated 12th. Instant, enclosing the Account of that settlement for the Month of April.

Treasure &ca. to be sent to Vizagapatam on the Seahorse.

The Honble Companys sloop Sea Horse being in readiness to sail, ORDER'D that fifty thousand (50,000) Rupees, & thirty five thousand (35,000) Madrass Pagodas be shipp'd on that Vessel also some Broad Cloth & Packing stuff, agreeable to Indent to be landed at Vizagapatam, & that We write to the Gentlemen at the Northern settlements as follows, Vizt.

Vizagapatam to be wrote to.

To Vizagapatam that all the Rupees and fifteen thousand (15000) of the Madrass Pagodas, by the Sea Horse are for their use, also the Board Cloth & Packing stuff as ℔ Invoice, & that the remaining Madrass Pagodas, ten thou-

also

sand must be forwarded to Ingeram, & ten thousand to Madapollam, that as we have reason to imagine the painting of Chints there, may be executed at a less Expence than here, we send them Eleven Patterns with proper Musters of Cloth, for a Tryal, which we would have return'd to us when finished with an account of the Expence.

Ingeram

To Ingeram, that we send for the use of that settlement by the Sea Horse to Vizagapatam ten thousand (10,000) Madrass Pagodas, & by the Charles Schooner shall forward a supply of Packing stuff.

Madapollam

To Madapollam, that ten thousand (10,000) Madrass Pagodas are to be forwarded thither from Vizagapatam, which we have consign'd on the Honble Companys sloop Sea Horse.

Bengal

AGREED also that we write to the Presidt. and Council of Bengal that the Companys sloops Syren & Sea Horse from Bombay having been order'd to touch here to land some stores, we have been obliged to send the former to St. David with a supply of Cash and when she returns we shall dispatch her, as we now do the Sea Horse, with orders to call at Vizagapm. to land some

&

Treasure; That the Gunpowder they have sent us turns out so bad, as they will perceive by our Engineers Report, that we cannot venture to use it for any thing but salutes, & that a Copy of the standg. Order mention'd in last Consultation, in relation to ships landing their Cargo's at Moors Ports' be enclos'd to them for the Purposes there mention'd.

Deve Cotah.

A Genl. Letter to Mr. George Dawson at Devecotah dated this day is now sign'd, acquainting him that we would not have any more Erkwood sent us 'till we have tried how that receiv'd from thence answers for making Charcoal, when we shall send him further directions, that an account Remains of Military

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stores must be sent us, also an exact return of the Garrison, & that we would have as much Paddy laid in there, as may be sufficient for that Garrison for three or four Months.

surgeon of the Marlborough Petitions for Head Money. same be paid.

The Petition of George Chace, surgeon of the Marlborough read (as enter'd hereafter) praying to be allow'd the usual Head Money on the Military landed here out of the Marlborough, ORDER'D that the Paymaster do make the usual Enquiry as to their Treatment on board, & if he finds no cause of Complaint that the same be discharged accordingly.

Petition of the Right hand cast Ord. To lye on the Table.

A Petition of the Right Hand Cast read, setting forth the several Privileges they claim, by virtue of Former orders, in preference to the Left Hand Cast, and praying that the Board will order their Ceremonies to be establish'd agreeable to ancient Custom, ORDER'D that the said Petition do lye on the Table for further Consideration.

Brohiers accot. read. Materials to be brought into Paymrs. accot. in future.

Mr. Brohiers account of Charges attending the works carrying on at this settlement, & for sundry repairs being read, the Board are of opinion that the method in which the Materials and other Expences were formerly accounted for by the Paymaster was much more regular, & intelligible and therefore RESOLVED that in future the same be brought into the Paymasters accounts as used to be practic'd.

treasure p Marlborough imported.

The Committee of Treasury report that the Treasure by the Marlborough having been weigh'd the silver is found right, but the Gold turns out Nineteen Pennyweights more than Invoice, ORDER'D that the same be deliver'd into the Mint from time to time to be coin'd as expeditiously as possible.

Cash advanc'd the Commissary for defraying the Expences & paying the Tanjore Bills.

AGREED that the sum of five thousand six hundred & twenty one Pagodas, twenty two fans. and thirty Cash (5621. 22. 30) be advanc'd the Commissary for defraying the Expences of the Troops abroad, & that the further sum of Ten thousand (10,000) Pagodas be paid him to discharge the amot. of the second remittance on Boocunjees House at Tanjore for the use of the Army.

Cash paid in by the Impo. Wareho. kr. &

The Import Warehousekr. pays into Cash the sum of thirteen hundred fifty one Pagodas twelve fanams, & fifty three Cash (1351. 12. 53) on account of Rupees sold, as does

Sea Customer.

The Sea Customer the sum of three thousand (3000) Pagodas on his running account.

THOS. SAUNDERS.
CHAS. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR. WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CHS. BOURCHIER.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDT. &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE..
THE HUMBLE PETITION OF GEORGE CHACE SURGEON
SHEWETH

That your Petitioner has had the Care of the Honble Companys soldiers, brought here in the Marlborough, Capt. Parks, therefore humbly requests your Honrs. will be pleas'd to order the sum that is allow'd by the Honble Company for the care of them to this settlement, and your Petitioner is in duty bound

GENTLEMEN
Your most Obedt. Servant
GEORGE CHACE.

MADRASS
JUNE 18TH 1753.

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19th. Sail'd ship Sta. Katherina, Antonio Pereira Brag [. . .] for Macao.

— Receiv'd by Pattamar Genl. Letter from Bengal dated 25th. Apl.

20 Receiv'd by Peons Genl. Letter from Bandarmalanka datd. 2d. Instt.

21 Sail'd Charles Schooner, Permaul, Syrang, for Ingeram.

— Do. Ship Fort St. David, George Mackey, for China.

— Do. The Honble Companys sloop Sea Horse, John Spencer for Vizagapatam & Bengal with Genl. Letters, dated the 20th. Instant for both those Settlements Ingeram, and Madapollam agreeable to resolution of last Consultation, & an addition to the Bengal Letter in answer to theirs of the 25th. April receiv'd the 19th. Instant Vizt. that in regard to their observation on the Adml. Vernons detention here, it should be noted that she did not arrive here till the 7th. & her Dispatches were sign'd the 21st. of February, that we were not ignorant of the Charter Party Terms in regard to Salt Petre, but imagin'd that if the unusually large Exceeding had been intended at whole Freight, it might have been mention'd to us, as to St. Helena Stores, tho' they are not included in the Tonage, yet as we are order'd to put them on board if not already done at the Bay, it is necessary we should be advised about them; That we shall detain no more Treasure than we are obliged to for our own Exigencys.

23d. This morning anchor'd in our Road our Honble Masters ship Edgbaston, Capt. Edward Tiddeman from England, with a Packet for this Presidency, & Mr. Hillary Torriano Supra Cargo, & Captain John Calliaud Passengers.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

SATURDAY THE 23D. THOS. SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVR. PRESIDT.
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXR: WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

Packet pr Edgebaston from England opend. contains Duplicates

Captain Edward Tiddeman being come on shore with the Packet from the Honble Court of Directors, for this Presidency, the same is open'd & agrees with the list, & the Genl. Letter, List of Investment &ca. Papers being compar'd with those receiv'd by the Suffolk, Clinton, & Marlborough appear to be of the same tenour & date.

Order sign'd for the delivery of the Treasure &ca.

AN ORDER is now sign'd to Capt. Edward Tiddeman for the delivery of the Military, Treasure, Wares, & Stores on board the Edgbastan belonging to the Honble Company consign'd to this Presidency.

Committee of Treasury to examine, & weigh the Treasure.

And the Committee of Treasury are desir'd to examine the Treasure when brought ashore, & see it weigh'd in the presence of the Captain or Purser, and report to the Board whether it turns out right.

Messrs. Dalrymple & Davidson station'd.

RESOLV'D that Mr. Alexr. Dalrymple be stationd under the storekr. & Mr. John Davidson and the Secretary.

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The Import Warehousekr. now pays into Cash the following sums Vizt. The Import Warehouse keepr. pays money into cash on

On his running account, thirty thousand ... Pags.	30,000	—	—	his running Accot. & Rupees sold.
On accot. of Rupees sold, sixteen hundred, twenty one Pagodas twenty two fanams, & thirty Cash ...	1,621	22	30	
Pags.	31,621	22	30	

Thos. Saunders.
Chas. Boddam.
Henry Powney.
Ar. Wynch.
John Smith.
Chas. Bourchier.

At a Consultation

Present

Thomas Saunders Esqr. Govr. Presidt. — Sunday the 24
Charles Boddam. Henry Powney.
Alexr. Wynch. John Smith.
Charles Bourchier.

At Eight of the Clock in the morning Anchor'd in this Road, the Honble Companys ship Boscawen Capt. Benjamin Braund from England with a Packet for this Presidency, and Messrs. Richard Wood, Stephen Devisme, & Robert John Harrison, Supra Cargos & Capt. John Ridge, Passengers. Boscawon arrives from England.

The Packet from our Honble Musters for this Presidency, being open'd & examin'd with the List is found right & on comparing the General Letter, List of Investment &ca. Papers already receiv'd by the ships of this season, they all appear to be of one Tenour & date. Packet Open'd. Contains duplicates

An Order is now sign'd to Capt. Benjamin Braund for the delivery of the Military, Treasure, wares, & stores on board the Boscawen belonging to the Company consign'd to this Presidency. Order signd for delivery of Treasure &ca.

And the Committee of Treasury are desir'd to examine and see the Treasure weigh'd as usual and report the same to the Board. Committee of Treasury to examine & weigh the Treasure.

Thos. Saunders.
Chas. Boddam.
Henry Powney.
Ar. Wynch.
John Smith.
Chs. Bourchier.

Sail'd Brigantine St. Anna, Vincienta Liveira Payva for Macao. 24
Receiv'd by Tappies Genl. Letter from Fort St. David dated 21st. Instt. —
Do. by Pattamar Genl. Letter from Ingeram dated 6th. Inst. —
Do. by Pattamar Genl. Letter from Anjengo dated 28th. May. 25

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY THE 25TH.

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVR. PRESIDT.
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXR. WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

The three last Consultations read & sign'd.

General Letters read Vizt.

Genl. Letter from Bengal read.

No°. 101 Genl. Letter from the Honble the Presidt. & Council of Bengal dated 25th. April in answer to ours of the second of that month, acquainting us that the late dispatch of the Godolphin, Bombay Castle, & Chesterfield from thence was owing to the delays of their Merchants, but that they are sorry to observe the Admi. Vernon which left that Place so early as the 15th. Janry. was not dispatch'd from hence till the 1st. of March which may render her Passage doubtful, that they shall forward the ships to us as early as possible but cannot ascertain the time, as it depends on the comg. in of their Investment, That the Salt Petre in the abovemention'd ships was inserted in the list of Tonnage as they imagin'd we were acquainted with the Charter Party Terms, which gave us a Power of sending it on half Freight, if we thought proper, to which the Captns would have consented, That as the St. Helena Stores are no part of the Tonnage, they did not mention them to us, and cannot conceive how that could lead us into any error, that as part of the Gunpowder by the Chesterfield did not arrive till after they had sent down the dispatches, they could not then forward the Invoice & Bill of Lading, but sent in by a subsequent conveyance, that they consign'd us another Parcell of Powder by the Shirely, & are preparing more for us by September, that they have receiv'd Mr. Hunters Indent, & will comply with it as far as possible in Augt. but are apprehensive they shall not be able to prevail on any artificers to go to the Negrais, that they sent no Arms with the Swiss Company by the Godolphin, because they are in great want themselves & therefore cannot spare us any, that they desire we will not detain any of the Money design'd for their use this season.

Genl. Letter from Bandarmalanka read.

No°. 102 From Mr. John Andrews at Bandarmalanka dated 2d. Instan enclosing the accounts of that settlement for last Month, & desiring that a pair of scales weights & Triangles may be sent him.

Genl. Letter from Fort St. David read.

No°. 103 From Mr. Thos. Cooke &ca. Council at Fort St. David dated 21st. Instant, advising that Mr. Palk having drawn on them for five thousand Pagodas, with one & a half (1½) ℔ Cent Batty, in favour of Buckanjee Cashedoss, they accepted the Bill & not having cash sufficient to answer it, have been obligd. to draw on us for the amount in Rupees, the Proprietors refusing to take it in any other specie, at the exchange of 388 Rups. for 100 Pagodas, amounting to nineteen thousand six hundred and ninety one Rupees Arcot (19691) payable at five days to the said Buckanjee.

Ingeram.

No°. 104 From Mr. Foss Westcott at Ingeram dated 6th. Instant, advising the receipt of our Letter 21st. May, and assuring us that he will be careful in keeping the Merchants to a good assortment, but cannot promise a large Investment on account of the disagreement between the Rajah & Nabob the former being determin'd to risk a Battle rather than comply with the unreasonable sum demanded by the latter has augmented his Forces to forty thousand Men, which has so much alarm'd the whole Country, that the People are moving to Places of safety; that another disadvantage is the great scarcity of Copper, the value of which is increas'd near 40 ℔ Ct. occasion'd by the Dutch keeping up their Dubs & Copper, & without a supply of the one or the other, the Merchants say it will be impossible for them to make any Contracts, enclosing Journal Parcells & Cash and account for last Month.

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Nº. 105 From George Scott Esqr. Chief &ca. Factors at Anjengo dated 28th. May acknowledging the receipt of our Letter of the 10th. August & Enclosing two Packets one for our Honble Masters to go by the first ship the other for the Presidt. & Council of Bombay, which they desire us to forward immediately on receipt. Anjengo.

ORDER'D that the said Packet be forwarded to Bombay by Pattamar, together with one for the Gentn. there receiv'd from the Honble Company by the ship Marlborough & that a General Letter be wrote to accompany them. Packets from Anjengo & England be forwarded to Bombay.

The Presidt. acquaints the Board that Vizaram Rauze, (the Rajah mention'd in Mr. Westcotts Letter Nº. 104 above extracted) has apply'd to him for some Gunpowder to the value of two thousand Rupees which may amount to about One hundred Barrells & at the same time observes that as this Rajah has shewn himself a firm Friend to the Company, & is withal very powerful he thinks it would be good policy to gratify him as far as may be judged consistent with prudence, in which sentiment, the Board concur, but are of opinion that the Quantity desir'd is rather too large & that half of it would equally shew a readiness & desire to preserve his Friendship, AGREED therefore that Fifty Barrells only be sent him. Vizaram Rauze to be supply'd with 50 Barrells of Gunpowder.

The usual Oaths having inadvertently been omitted to be administered to Mr. Thos. Cooke & Mr. John Smith on their admission into Council, the same is now tender'd to & taken by the latter, who promises to write to his Friends in England to give the usual security. Mr. Smith takes the Oath which was omitted at his admission into Council.

RESOLV'D that in the next General Letter to Fort St. David Mr. Thos. Cooke be directed to take the prescribed Oath, & write to his Friends in England to give the usual security. Mr. Cooke at St. David to take the oath.

There being a demand for Iron, & that five hundred Candys be put up to sale at public Outcry on Saturday the 30th. of June & that notice thereof be affixed at the sea Gate as usual.

Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master reads that account for last Month Ballances remaining in the Mint ninety two thousand seven hundred & twenty five (92725) Madrass Rupees, two hundred & fifty nine thousand one hundred & twenty nine Arcot Rupees one Anae (259129. 1. –) fifteen thousand two hundred & Twenty seven (15227) Madrass Pagodas, & thirty six thousand & fourteen star Pagodas four fanams, & five Cash (36014. 4. 5) which are carried forward. Monthly accots. read vizt. Mint.

Charles Boddam Export Warehokr. reads that account for last Month, Ballance due from him one thousand nine hundred & sixty one Pagodas, eighteen Fanams, & forty one Cash (1961. 18. 41) which is carried forward.

Charles Boddam Paymr. reads that account for last Month.

CHARGES GARRISON	248	29	19
CHARGES HOSPITAL	214	29	10
PEONS & SERVANTS WAGES	414	26	—
CHARGES GENERAL	74	10	31
CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY	364	27	65
REPAIRS	565	5	36
FORTIFICATIONS	1333	13	60
MATERIALS Supply'd Mr. Jno. Brohier for the use of Fortifications & Repairs	2502	29	50
St. THOME &ca. villages	29	1	50
POONAMALEE &ca. villages	152	32	—
Carried over ..	5900	25	1

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Brought over ..	5900	25	1
FORT MARLBOROUGH	33	18	—
CHARGES CATTLE	66	24	—
CHARGES DIET	583	12	—
	6584	7	1

Ballance due from him seven hundred and eleven Pagodas thirty four fanams, and seventy seven Cash (711. 34. 77) which is carried forward.

The Extraordinary Expences in the Paymasters account are enter'd hereafter.

Sea Customer. Henry Powney Sea Customer reads that account for last Month Ballance due from him fifteen thousand two hundred & forty six Pagodas two fanams, & forty four Cash (15246. 2. 44) which is carried forward.

Impo. Warehokr. Henry Powney Import Warehokr. reads that account for last Month Ballance due from him Twelve thousand one hundred & sixty eight Pagodas, & fifty six Cash, of which he now pays in one thousand (1000) Pagodas, & the remainder is carried forward.

Storekr. Alexr. Wynch Storekr. reads that account for last Month, Ballance due from him one thousand three hundred & twenty four Pagodas, fifteen fanams & Ten Cash (1324. 15. 10) which is carried forward.

Military Storekr. Alexr. Wynch Military Storekr. reads that account for last Month Ballance due from him one Pagoda, thirty fanams, & forty two Cash (1. 30. 42) which is carried forward.

Land Customer. John Smith Land Customer reads that account for last Month Ballance due from him seven hundred & forty five Pagodas, twenty eight fanams, & forty seven Cash (745. 28. 47) which is paid in.

Military Paymr. John Smith Military Paymr. reads that account for last Month, Ballance due from him two thousand six hundred & fifty [. . .] Pagodas, twenty fanams, & thirty nine cash [. . .] which is carried forward.

Journal Parcells read. The Accomptant reads the journall Parcells for the Month of April.

Treasury accots. read. The Treasury accounts for last Month are now read (as Enter'd hereafter) the several Ballances whereof are as follow Vizt. Silver, Poize, One thousand six hundred & ninety three Pounds (lb. 1693. –. –) Madrass Pagodas Twenty thousand (20,000) Arcot Rupees Three thousand nine hundred & eight, five anaes, and seven Pice. (3908. 5. 7.)

advances out of Cash. AGREED that the following advances be made out of Cash Vizt.

To the Commissary & To the Commissary five thousand three hundred & twenty four Pagodas, Eleven fanams, & four Cash (5324. 11. 4) for the Charges of the Troops abroad.

Military Storekr. To the Military Storekr. One thousand (1000) Pagodas for the Charges of that Employ.

THOS. SAUNDERS.
CHAS. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR. WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CHS. BOURCHIER.

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EXTRAORDINARY EXPENCES IN THE PAYMASTER'S ACCOUNT are in the following Particulars May 31st. 1753.

CHARGES GARRISON—						
Oil for the Lamps to the Guards Points, Mettoes &c[a]. difference in the price more than last Month	16	30	75			
Water brought for the new soldiers	7	30	73			
				24	25	68
PEONS & SERVANTS WAGES more than last M[o].					22	
CHARGES GENERAL—						
Gilt Paper for the use of Country Letters	5	33	10			
Bomboo Matts	4	34	78			
Oil for the Fort House, Godowns &c[a]. difference in the price more than last Month	5	17	31			
				16	13	33
CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY				364	27	6[.]
REPAIRS				565	5	36
FORTIFICATIONS				1333	27	60
MATERIALS Supplied Mr. John Brohier for the use of Fortifications & Repairs				2502	29	50
S[T]. THOME &c[a]. Villages				29	1	50
POONAMALEE &c[a]. Villages				152	32	—
FORT MARLBOROUGH				33	18	—
			Pagodas	5023	9	48

ERRORS EXCEPTED
℔ CH[s]. BODDAM.
Paym[r].

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Silver

Dr.

1753.			Chests.	lb.	oz.	dwt.
May 9	To	Account Current London recd. ℔ Suffolk ..	25	7266	8	—
	To	Do. do. ℔ Clinton ..	25	7266	8	—
		Chests ..	50	lbs. 14533	4	—

Cr.

1753.			Chests.	lb.	oz.	dwt.
May 24	By	Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master deliver'd to be coined	40	11626	8	—
	By	Import Warehousekeeper deliver'd him for sale ..	4¼	1213	8	—
			44¼	12840	4	—
	By	Ballance ..	5¾	1693	—	—
		Chests ..	50	lb. 14533	4	—

Errors Excepted
℔ Thos : Saunders
Chas : Boddam.
Henry Powney.

Treasury Accounts, Fort St. George, May 1753.

Gold.

Dr.

1753.			Chests.	Ozs.	dwts.	G.
May 9	To Account Current London receᵈ					
	℔ Suffolk		1	3601	10	—
	To Do. do.					
	℔ Clinton		1	3601	10	—
		Chests ..	2 oz.	7203	—	—

Cr.

1753.			Chests.	Ozs.	dwts.	G.
May 14	By Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master deliver'd to be coined ..		2	7203	—	—

Errors Excepted
℔ Thos: Saunders.
Chas: Boddam.
Henry Powney.

Madrass Pagodas

Dr.

1753.					
May 24	To Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master.	10000	—	—
29	To Do. Do.	10000	—	—
		20000	—	—

Cr.

1753.				
May 31	By Ballance	20,000	—	—

Errors Excepted
℔ Thos: Saunders.
Chas: Bo dam.
Henry Powney.

Treasury Accounts, Fort St: George, May 1753.

Arcot Rupees

Dr:					Cr:				
1753.					1753.				
May 1.	To Ballance brought from last Month.	43825	—	7	May 1	By Import Warehousekr. deliver'd for sale	10000	—	—
	To Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master receiv'd of him	83	5	—	3	By Do. do. do. ..	6000	—	—
					9	By Do. do. do. ..	14000	—	—
					18	By Do. do. do. ..	1758	7	[..]
					31	By Do. do. do. ..	8241	8	[..]
							40000	—	—
						By Ballance	3908	5	7
		43908	5	7			43908	5	7

Errors Excepted
℔ Thos: Saunders.
Chas: Boddam.
Henry Powney.

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Receiv'd by Tappies Genl. Letter from Fort St. David dated 22d. Instant. 26

Do. by Peons Genl. Letter from Ingeram dated 13th. Instant. 27

Sent by Pattamar General Letter to the President and Council of Bombay dated this Day with a Packet from England, and another from Anjengo. 28

Recd. by Tappies General Letter from Fort St. David dated 25th. Instant. —

Sailed ship Oost Capel, Jan Hoyer, for Pulliacat. —

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR. PRESIDT. & GOVR. MONDAY
CHAS. BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY. THE 2d.
ALEXR. WYNCH. JOHN SMITH. JULY.
CHAS. BOURCHIER.

Last Consultation read & signed.

General Letters read Vizt.

Genl. Letters from Fort St. David read.

No. 106, & No. 108. The first from Mr. Thos. Cooke &ca. Council of Fort St. David dated the 22d. Ultimo, acquainting us that at Day break that Morning, an English ship appear'd in the Offing upon which the Fort hoisted a Whift and fired 8 or 9 shots to bring her too, but no Regard was paid to it, desiring that the Commander may be called upon to give his Reasons for the same. The other from the Deputy Governour & Council of Fort St. David dated the 29th. Ultimo advising the Deputy Governour's arrival there in a *Mussolah, having left the Syren sloop of Alamparwe and that Mr. Cooke had delivered over the Ballance of Cash being Pags. 224. 29. 75. That they have stationed the Dragon sloop in 15 Fathom Water also six Cattamarans in different Places with Orders for any of the Europe ships that may happen to come within their Reach. Promising a strict Compliance to Our Honble Masters Directions in the List of Investment sent them by Mr. Starke.

Genl. Letter from Ingeram read.

No. 107. From Mr. Foss Westcott Resident at Ingeram dated the 15th. Ulto. acquainting us that a Dispute having arisen between the Renters of Yanam and those of Sancra pollam in Relation to some Paddy the former had sown on a Piece of Ground, whereto both Party's had a Claim, which Paddy therefore He had prevented their carrying away; They agreed to have it decided by Arbitrators but the Decision not being to the satisfaction of the Yanam Renters, They made their Complaint to the French Chief and Council at Metchlepatam who in Consequence wrote him a Letter (which he encloses) "setting forth their Pretentions to the said District and insisting on Redress but declaring withal that they would not receive any answer unless the Titles they formerly requir'd were given them" Desiring our Directions thereon.

The Marlborough Dispatches sign'd

The Marlborough being in Readiness to sail, Captn. Willm. Parks's Dispatches are now signed, directing him to proceed directly to Canton, and on his arrival follow such Orders as he may receive from Messrs. Frederick Pigou, Henry Hadley, and Thomas Fitzhugh and cautioning him against touching at Cuddah.

Letter to the Supra Cargoes of the Marlbro sign'd.

General Letter to Messrs. Pigou, Hadley & Fitzhugh Supra Cargoes of the Marlbrõ is also now signed enclosing sundry Papers therein mentioned, acquainting them with the Purport of our Orders to Captain Parks, and that we have not shipp'd any Goods on the Marlborough for the Companys account as our last advices inform us very few Things will answer so well at Canton as Bullion.

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* The surf boat used on the coromandel coast—Hobson Jobson, p. 602.

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Fort St. David to be wrote to.

AGREED to write to the Gentlemen at Fort S^{t}. David, that as their Occasions for Money must be very pressing, if the Syren should not yet be arriv'd, We would have them send a Boat with an European in it, for the Box of Pagodas, and supply the sloop with Water and Provisions, that she May not be under a Necessity of bearing away for this Place.

Renters of Yanam & Suncrapollam to abide by the Arbitrators Decision.

AGREED that in our next advices to Mr. Westcott, He be acquainted that in Relation to the Dispute between the Renters of Yanam and Suncrapollam we would have the Paddy deliver'd to the former as they found it, tho' neither Party can justify their Claim to the Ground which therefore we think should hereafter remain in common agreeable to the Decision of the Arbitrators.

The Paddy to be deliver'd the former.

Ten Candy copper to be coin'd into Dubbs for the Northern settlements.

An Order having been made in Consultation the 28th. May, for sending a Quantity of Copper to the Northern Settlements The President now lays before the Board as Entered hereafter a Calculate of the Produce in the Mint of the Plate copper received this season from Europe, whereby it appears that by coining it into Dubbs, the Company will suffer a Loss of two Pagodas, three Fanams ℔ Candy, notwithstanding which the Board are of Opinion that it would even be more eligible the Company should sustain this Loss than that the Investment to the Northward should be subjected to any Difficulties for want of Copper Money, which as appears by the advices from thence is likely to be the Case unless a supply be sent, It is therefore AGREED That ten Candy of Copper (which is thought sufficient for a present supply) be deliver'd into the Mint to be coined and sent to the three Northern Settlements, that they be invoiced, at the Invoice Price of the Copper with Charges of Coinage and that the Gentlemen there be directed not to issue them at a cheaper Rate if it can be avoided, which from the present scarcity there is Reason to hope may be Effected.

To be invoiced at the invoice Price of the Copper with Charges & not to be Issued under that Price.

Import Wareho. account Deficincies &c^{a}. Damaged Cloth ℔ Clinton & Marlbro.

The Import Warehousekeeper delivers in as entered hereafter, an account of Goods deficient and Cloth damaged by the ships Clinton and Marlbro̅ consign'd to this Presidency amounting to £. 124. 6. 3 or Three hundred and Ten Pagodas Twenty eight fanams and Ten Cash (310. 28. 10) which he acquaints the Board he has receiv'd of the respective Commanders and debited himself in Account for the same.

storekeepers acot. deficiencys ℔ Marlbro.

The Storekeeper delivers in as entered hereafter an account of Sundry Deficiencies in the stores consigned to this Presidency by the Marlbourough amounting to Forty seven Pounds four shillings & nine pence Ster^{l}. £ 47. 4. 9 or One hundred and Eighteen Pagodas three fanams and thirty Cash (118. 3. 30) which he acquaints the Board, he has received of Captn̅ Parks, and debited himself in acco^{t}. for the same.

storekeeper delivers in account decayed stores and of 15 Coffree Men & 34 Women dead.

The storekeeper delivers in an account of sundry Articles in the stores decayed, broken, wasted by Rust, &c^{a}. and also of fifteen Men and thirty four Women slaves who have dyed in the Course of the last year amounting in the whole to six hundred and forty seven Pagodas, twenty nine Fanams and twenty two Cash (647. 29. 22) The Particulars whereof are enter'd hereafter.

Military storekr. delivers in accot. decayed stores

The Military storekeeper also delivers in an account of sundry Articles in the Military stores decayed, broken, wasted by Rust & c^{a}. in the Course of the last year amounting to Three hundred and Ninety seven Pagodas, six fanams and twelve Cash (397. 6. 12) The Particulars whereof are enter'd hereafter.

to be wrote off.

ORDER'D that the amount of the said two accounts be wrote off to Profit and Loss.

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RESOLV'D That Four hundred Candy of the Copper and 700 Candy of Lead receiv'd this season from Europe be sold at Publick Outcry on Wednesday the first of August next, and that Publick Notice thereof be affix'd at the sea Gate as usual. Copper & Lead to be sold at Outcry 1st. of August.

The Petition of James Calvinier read as Entered hereafter, setting forth that having been employed to diet the sick Coffreys for the Months of May & June, he receiv'd on that Account, the usual allowance only, altho' he actually expended more, Praying to be allowed the Balance, and Recourse being had to an account of Particulars deliver'd in with the said Petition, It appears that the extraordinary Charge arises from his being obliged by the Doctors Direction to supply the sick very frequently with Chickens &c^{a}. ORDER'D therefore that the Ballance be paid him and RESOLV'D that in future the Coffreys be allowed the same Pay as the Military to diet themselves, which it is apprehended will be more satisfactory to themselves as well as less expensive to the Company. Extra Charges to be paid Ja^{s}. Calvinier for dieting sick Coffreys. Coffreys to be allowed for dieting themselves like the Military.

Letter from Captain Edmund Maskelyne read as enter'd hereafter, Desiring a Grant upon the Terms that have been usual in such Cases, of a Piece of uncultivated Ground situated near Vipara, the Renters having no Objection, AGREED That at the Expiration of the present Cowle, the said Piece of Ground be granted as desired, if applied for, which cannot now be done as it is Part of that Parcell leased with Egmore &c^{a}. villages and Consequently the Property of the Renters during their Term. Captn. Maskelyne desires a Grant of a Piece of Ground. Agreed to grant it at the Expiration of the present Cowle.

The Petition of Thomas Blair Surgeon of the Edgbaston read as enter'd hereafter Praying to be allowed the usual Head Money [on] the Military Recruits landed here out of that [ship] ORDERED That the Military Paymaster do discharge the same, having first made a proper Enquiry and being satisfied as to their Treatment on board. Surgeon of the Edgbastons Petit^{n}. for Head Money. Granted.

It being stipulated by a Clause in the agreement with the King of Tanjore, dated 1st. Janry 1750/1 That in Consideration of the Grant of DeveCotah & Districts, The Company shall make an annual Present to the King in Goods to the value of Eleven hundred Pagodas, which having hitherto been omitted, 'tis AGREED that an Elephant be purchased for that Purpose and that an account of the Cost thereof be laid before the Board. An Elephant to be purchased for the stipulated annual Present to the King of Tanjore.

The Committee of Treasury report that the Bullion Imported by the Edgbaston and Boscawen being weighed, turns out agreeable to Invoice. Bullion p^{r} Edgbaston and Boscawen right.

The President reads the Cash account for last Month as entered hereafter, Ballance remaining compared with the Chest Forty three thousand, seven hundred and forty seven Current Pagodas, Thirty three Fanams & fifteen Cash (43747. 33. 15) and Three hundred and six (306) Madrass Pagodas. Cash account read.

The Treasury accounts for last Month are also read as enter'd hereafter, The several Ballances whereof being compared and found right are as follow, Viz^{t}. Arcot Rupees seventy four thousand four hundred and twenty six, Twelve anaes and seven Pice (74426. 12. 7) and Madrass Rupees Ninety three Thousand five hundred and forty four (93544) which are carried forward. Treasury account Read.

The Import Warehousekeeper pays into Cash Four thousand and, Three hundred and twenty four Pagodas, Eleven Fanams & fifty four Cash (4324. 11. 54), on account of Rupees sold. Money paid in for Rupees sold.

AGREED that the following advances be made out of Cash Viz^{t}. Advances to the

To the Paymaster for sundry Disbursements, seven thousand two hundred and seventy Pagodas nine Fanams and Fifty Nine Cash (7270. 9. 59). Paymaster.

To the Military Paymaster to pay the Military Four thousand and Eighty One pagodas Two Fanams, and seventy four Cash (4081. 2. 74) and Military Paym^{r}.

—— *FORT ST. GEORGE, JULY 1753* ——

Commissary

To the Commissary to defray the Expences of the Troops abroad, Two thousand seven hundred and Two Pagodas, Twenty five Fanams and twenty three Cash (2702. 25. 23).

Bond to Sultan David to be paid.

Coja Shawmeer Sultan Applying for Payment of a Bond for Pags. 15000, to his Father Sultan David which it was resolved in Consultation 16th. October last should be satisfyed as soon as the Cash would permitt, and there being now a sufficiency in hand, ORDERED That the Principal and Interest of the said Bond be paid off.

THOS. SAUNDERS.
CHAS. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR. WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CHS. BOURCHIER.

ACCOUNT COINAGE of one Candy of Copper into Vizagapatam Dubbs for account of the Honourable Company Vizt.

Candy	lb.							
1	at 520 makes Viss 166 at 100⅔ Dubbs ℔ Viss is Vizagapatam Dubbs							16640
	Coinage at 18½ ℔ Viss							3078
	Neat Vizagm. Dubbs							13562

Dubbs		Dubbs						
13562	at	4	℔	Fanam is	Fanams	3390½	at	Fans.
42½	℔	Pagoda is			Pags.	79	33	

Candy.				
1	Copper Cost Pags. ..	82	—	
	Produces	79	33	
	Lost ..	2	3	

Rupees at 376 ℔ % Pags. Dubbs 45 ℔ Rupee.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.

PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR & CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

There being a spot of Ground to the Westward of Vepara, uncultivated, which the Renters are willing to let me form an House and Garden upon; to comprehend the Extent of 604 square Feet, I shall be extremely obliged to Your Honour &ca. for a Grant of the same, upon the Terms usually allowed in these Cases & am with Respect

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedt. humble Servt.

EDMD. MASKELYNE

FORT ST. GEORGE
JULY 2D. 1753.

—— *FORT ST. GEORGE, JULY 1753* ——

ACCOUNT of Goods damaged and defficient ℔ ships Clinton and Marlborough Viz^{t}.

PR. CLINTON

	℔.	qr.	lb.			
Copper deficient in Weight ..	—	2	12	£ 3	12	10
Lead 2 slabs deficient in Weight ..	6	—	16	4	17	10
				£ 8	10	8
Europe Charges ½ ℔ Ct.				—	—	10
				£ 8	11	6
Advance 30 ℔ C^{t}.				2	11	6

		sh.			
£ 11	3	—	@ 8 ℔ Pag. 27	31	40

FORT ST: GEORGE
MAY 20TH. 1753

HENRY POWNEY
Imp^{t}. W. H.K^{r}.

PR. MARLBOROUGH.

Broad Cloth Scarlet damaged 6 ps. ..				£ 44	12	6
Ditto Aurora * do. 2 ps. ..				13	10	6
Ditto Ordinary Green do. 2 ps. ..				9	17	6
	℔.	qr.	lb.			
Lead deficient	—	—	18	—	2	7
Copper 2 Plates Ditto	3	—	9	18	9	3
				86	12	4
Europe Charges ½ ℔ Ct. ..				—	8	8
				£ 87	1	—
Advance 30 Pr. Ct.				26	2	3

		sh.			
£ 113	3	3	@ 8 ℔ Pag^{s}. 282	32	50

FORT S^{T}: GEORGE
JUNE 30TH. 1753.

HENRY POWNEY.
Imp^{t}. Warehousek^{r}.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQ^{R}.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE &C^{A}. COUNCIL.

THE HUMBLE PETITION OF THO^{S}. BLAIR SURGEON

SHEWETH

That your Petitioner has had the Care of the Honble Company's soldiers brought here in the Edgbaston Captñ Edward Tiddeman Humbly request You will order the some [*sic*] of Money allowed by the Honble Company for the Care of them, and

Your Petitioner as in Duty bound shall ever Pray.

MADRASS
27TH. JUNE 1753.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQ^{R}.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE &C. COUNCIL.

THE HUMBLE PETITION OF JAMES CALVINIER

SHEWETH

Your Petitioner begs Leave to inform your Honour that the Servant, that is over the sick Coffreys told your Petitioner by Captain Maskelyne's orders to find them Provisions for the two last Months, accordingly your Petitioner did

* A Woolen fabric—Vestiges of old Madras by Col. Love.

—— *FORT ST. GEORGE, JULY 1753* ——

for 327 Persons for a Trial, and was advanced the usual allowance, But your Honour will please to observe by the accompanying account that there is a Deficiency, Therefore Your Petitioner beg your Honour will take into Consideration; and settle something more upon each sick and allow your Petitioner some thing ℔ Mensem for his Trouble to pay all servants Wages &c^{a}. and Your Petitioner as in duty bound

SHALL EVER PRAY.

ACCOUNT of Deficiencies in Weight, and the Short Delivery ℔ following ship Marlborough.

	℔.	qr.	lb.	£		
Iron 1 Bar	6	2	5	£ 5	8	9
Bolt .. .	4	3	24	6	11	7
Rod	2	1	1	2	4	10
Steel 1 Bundle	—	2	21	1	—	9
Nails 2d.	—	3	5	2	1	4
3d.	—	2	18	1	13	5
6	1	1	5	2	8	6
10	2	2	11	4	11	5
24	—	2	9	—	18	—
30	—	1	21	—	13	6
40	—	3	22	1	9	2
Spike	—	1	27	—	14	—
Copper Plate 10 Pieces ..	—	2	14	4	16	3
Sea Coals	37 Bushells.			1	15	3
			£.	36	6	9
Advance 30 ℔ Cent ..				10	18	—
			£	47	4	9 @ 8^{shs}. ℔ Pag^{s}. 118 3 30

FORT S^{T}: GEORGE
30TH. JUNE 1753.

ALEX^{R}: WYNCH
Storek^{r}.

PROFIT & LOSS D^{R}: TO SUNDRY ACCOUNTS:

Pagodas 647· 29 22 for so much lost by Sale, Worn out by Rust &c^{a}. on the following Heads & slaves died. Viz^{t}.

	℔.	qr.	lb.					
Iron Bar	6	3	21¼	14	23	33		
Bolt	3	1	27½	11	24	37		
Rod	1	—	25¼	3	3	10		
Hoop	2	—	8½	5	25	35		
						—	35	4 35
Nails Small brads			5¾	—	21	45		
Pump			8½	1	—	10		
2d.			13	1	3	—		
3d.			18½	1	10	20		
4d.			43¼	2	25	2		
6d.			9½	—	17	65		
Scupper			4¾	—	10	55		
							7	16 60
Nails Midling 10d.			11	—	19	20		
20d.			65½	2	26	20		
24d.			81	3	13	40		
30d.			68	3	4	—		
40d.			30½	1	9	60		
Sheathing			116	4	1	—		
							15	1 60
Carried Over ..							57	22 75

—— *FORT ST. GEORGE, JULY 1753* ——

PROFIT & LOSS DR. TO SUNDRY ACCOUNTS—*cont.*

					Brought Over	..	57	22 75
Nails Large spike	..	..	..	21½	— 24	15		
Broad head	..	..		18	— 27	—		
							1	15 15
			Barls.	Gas.				
Tar & Pitch tar	..	..	..	3	10½	10 3 50		
Pitch	..	..	..	1	—	3 9 —		
							13	12 50
Timber & plank—								
Deals	..	..	..	..	40	8 32 —		
Euffirs	..	..	..	..	6	2 12 —		
							11	8 —
			qr.	lb.				
Steel	..	..	..	..	1	22½	1	27 5
Wire Iron Wire 2 1/8 lb.	..		..				—	7 77
West Coast Stores Pitch Pott 1			..				—	27 —
Slaves 34 Women & 15 Men			..				561	16 40
						Pagodas	647	29 22

ALEXR: WYNCH
Storekr.

FORT St. GEORGE, JUNE 1753.

Dr.	The Honble United Company's Cash.				Contra.				Cr.
1	To Ballance brought from last Months Account	Pags.	52727	19 13	1	By Charles Boddam Paymr. advanced him for Disbursements	Pags.	6500	— —
4	To Henry Powney Impo. Wareho.kr receivd of him on account of Rupees sold ..		4054	1 76	—	By John Smith Military Paymr. advanced him for the Payment of the Military ..		4081	2 74
—	To Numboor Soubiah Linga Chittee &ca. Farmers of the Poonamalee Country received of them in part of 6 Months Rent of that Cowle due the 1st. of Janry. last		7500	— —	—	By Alexr. Wynch Commissary advanced to defray the Expences of the Troops abroad		1621	22 30
—	To Henry Powney Sea Customer Recd. of him on his Running Account		1000	— —	4	By Fort St. David paid the amount of a Bill of Excha. drawn on us by the Deputy Govr. and Council dated the 23d. Ulto. in favour of Linga Chittee for A. Rs. 12000 paid into the Honble Company's Cash there at 370 ℔ o/o		3243	8 60
9	To Henry Powney Import Warehousekeeper receiv'd of him on account of Rupees sold		10,810	29 15	—	By Alexr. Wynch Commissary advanced him to discharge the amount of a set of Bills of Excha. drawn on Boocunjee's House at Tanjore for the Use of the Army		10000	— —
18	To Do. Do. Do. ..		1351	12 53	9	By Fort St. David paid the amount of the following Bills of Exchange drawn on us by the Deputy Govr. & Council for Money paid into the Honble Company's Cash there vizt.			
—	To Henry Powney Sea Customer receiv'd of him on his Running Account		3000	— —		1 dated 31st. May in favour of Alexr. Wynch Esqr. for A. Rs. 23400 @ 370 ..	6324 11 54		
23	To Henry Powney Impo. Wareho.kr. recd. of him Vizt.					1 do. 31st. do. do. of Boocunjee Cossidoss A.Rs. 10000 @ 370	2702 25 23		
	On his Running account ..	Pags. 30000	— —					9027	— 77
	On accot. of Rupees sold	1621	22 30			By Alexr. Wynch Commissary advanced him to defray the Charges of the Troops abroad		1621	22 30
			31621	22 30	11	By Fort St. David sent thither ℔ Sloop Syren		25000	— —
25	To Henry Powney Sea Customer Receiv'd of him further on his Running account.		1000	— —					
—	To Henry Powney Impo. Wareho.kr. receiv'd of him on account of Rupees sold ..		4324	11 54					
—	To Numboor Soubiah, Linga Chittee &ca. Farmers of the Poonemalee Country, receiv'd of them in full of 6 Months Rent of that Cowle due 1st. of Janry. last		10000	— —					
—	To Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master receiv'd of him the Ballance of that account for Last Month Mss Pags.		227	— —					
—	To John Smith Land Customer recd. of him the Balls. of that account for last Month.		745	28 47					
	Caried Over ..		128362	17 18		Carried Over		61094	21 31

Dr.	The Honble United Company's Cash—*cont.*			
	Brought Over ..	128362	17	48
25	To Alexr. Wynch Storekeeper recd. of him in Part of the Balla. of that account for last Month	1000	—	—
	Star or Curt. Pags. ..	129362	17	48

	Contra—*cont.*	Cr.		
	Brought Over ..	61094	21	31
12	By Fort St David paid the amount of a Bill of Exchange drawn on Us by the Deputy Govr. & Council dated the 6th. Instant in favour of Captn Edward Roach for A.Rs. 1244 paid into the Honble Companys Cash there @ 370 ℔ %	336	7	63
14	By Alexr. Wynch Commissary advanced him to defray the Charges of the Troops abroad	810	29	15
18	By Alexr. Wynch Commissary advanced him to discharge the amount of a set of Bills of Exch^{a}. drawn on Boocunjees House at Tanjore for the Use of the Army ..	10000	—	—
14	By Fort St. David paid the amount of a Bill of Exch^{a}. drawn on us by the Deputy Govr. & Council dated the 9th. Ulto. in favour of the Honble Thos. Saunders Esqr. for Pags. 1200, paid into the Honble Companys Cash there	1200	—	—
21	By Alexr. Wynch Commissary advanced him to defray the Charges of the Troops abroad	5621	22	30
25	By Alexr. Wynch Commissary advanced him to defray the Charges of the Troops abroad	4324	11	54
—	By Alexr. Wynch Military Storekeeper advanced him for the Charges of that Employ	1000	—	—
	By Madrass Pagodas for the Mint May Ballance	227	—	—
30	By Alexr. Wynch Commissary advanced him to defray the Expences of the Troops abroad	1000	—	—
		85614	20	33
	—By Ballance carried to Next Months account..	43747	33	15
	Star or Curtt. Pags. ..	129362	17	4

FORT ST. GEORGE, JUNE 1753.

Dr.	Madrass Pagodas				Pr. Contra				Cr.
1	To Ballance brought from Last Months Accot. ..	79	—	—	30	By Ballance carried to next Month's accott.	306	—	—
25	To the Honble United Companys Cash for the Mint May Ballance	227	—	—					
		306	—	—					

Errors Excepted
℔ Thos. Saunders.

Treasury Accounts, Fort St. George, June 1753.

Dr. Silver. Cr.

1753		chests.		lb.	ozs.	Dwtg.			lb.	oz.	dwtg.
June 1st.	To Ballance brought from last Month.	5¾	poiz.	1693	—	—	June 8	By Thos. Saunders Esqr. Mint Master deliver'd to be coined	3⅝ pz.	1072	2 15
11	To Accot. Curt. London recd. ℔ Marlbro.	21		6104	—	—		By Import Wareho.kr. deliverd for sale	2⅛	620	9 5
23	To Do. Do. ℔ Edgbaston	25		7266	8	—	14	By Thos. Saunders Esqr. Mint Master deliver'd to be coined	16	4650	8 —
	To Do. Do. ℔ Boscawen	25		7266	8	—	—	By Do. Do. Do. ..	¾	218	— —
							18th.	By Do. Do. Do. ..	3⅞	1136	2 —
							27	By Do. Do. Do. ..	50	14632	6 —
	Chests.	76¾	pz.	22330	4	—		Chests ..	76¾	22330	4 —

Errors Excepted
℔ Thos. Saunders
Chas. Boddam.
Henry Powney.

Treasury Accounts, Fort St. George, June 1753

Gold

Dr.		Chests.	Oz.	Dwts.	Grs.	Cr.		Chests.	Ozs.	dwts.	Grs.
June 11	To account Curt. London rec'd ℔ Marlbro	2 poiz.	4638	10	—	June 12th.	By Thos. Saunders Esqr. Mint Master deliver'd to be coined.	2 poz.	4638	10	—
23	To Do. Do. ℔ Edgbaston.	1	3600	—	—	27	Do. Do. Do. ..	2	7200	—	—
	To Do. Do. ℔ Boscawen.	1	3600	—	—						
	Chests ..	4 poiz	11838	10	—		Chests.	4 poiz	11838	10	—

Errors Excepted.
℔ Thos. Saunders.
Chas. Boddam.
Henry Powney.

Madrass Pagodas.

Dr.					Cr.					
June 1st.	To Ballance brought from Last Month ..	20000	—	—	June 16.	By Vizagapatam Factory sent ℔ Syren ..	15000	—	—
	To Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master Receiv'd of him	15000	—	—		By Ingeram Do. Do. ..	10000	—	—
						By Madapollam Do. Do. ..	10000	—	—
		35000	—	—			35000	—	—

Errors Excepted
℔ Thos. Saunders.
Chas. Boddam.
Henry Powney.

Current Pagodas.

Dr.					Cr.				
June 18.	To Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master receiv'd of him	30,000	—	—	June 18.	By the Honble Company's Cash	30,000	—	—

Errors Excepted.
℔ Thos. Saunders.
Chas. Boddam.
Henry Powney.

Treasury Accounts Fort St. George, June 1753—*cont.*

Madrass Rupees.

Dr.				Cr.				
June 1st.	To Ballance Brought from the Month of April	1544	—	—	June 30.	By Ballance	93544	—	—
14	To Tho. Saunders Esqr. Mint Master recd. of him	92000	—	—					
		93544	—	—					

Errors Excepted.

℔ Thos. Saunders.
Charles Boddam.
Henry Powney.

Arcot Rupees.

Dr.					Cr.				
June 1st.	To Ballance brought from Last Month ..	3908	5	7	June 2d.	By Impo. Wareho.kr. deliver'd him for sale	15000	—	—
2 .	To Thos. Saunders Esqr. Mint Master recd. of him	80000	—	—	9	By Fort St. David sent thither ℔ Sloop Syren	100000	—	—
	To Do. Do. Do. ..	33000	—	—		By Impo. Wareho.kr. deliver'd him for Sale	40000	—	—
8th.	To Do. Do. Do. ..	80000	—	—	19	By Vizagapatam Factory sent thither ℔ Sea Horse	50000	—	—
13th.	To Do. Do. Do. ..	68000	—	—		By Impo. Wareho.kr. deliver'd him for Sale	5000	—	—
19th.	To Do. Do. Do. ..	41518	7	—	23	By Do. Do. Do. ..	6000	—	—
					26	By Do. Do. Do. ..	16000	—	—
							232000	—	—
					30	By Ballance	74,426	12	7
		306426	12	7			306,426	12	7

Errors Excepted.
Thos. Saunders.
Chas. Boddam.
Henry Powney

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PROFIT & LOSS DR. to SUNDRY ACCOUNTS Pags: 397. 6. 12 for so much worn out by Rust, Breakedge [*sic*] &ca. under the Care of the Military Storekeeper Vizt.

GENERAL STORES.										
Gun Carriages, The Iron Work of which is deliver'd the Engineer for repairing & making New	40	Pags.	..	..	308	—	—			
Mortar Bed	1	..	..	..	15	—	—			
Field Carriages	4	..	..	..	23	3	—			
Hand Spikes	136	..	..	..	25	18	—			
Tarpauling Aprons	6	..		..	1	—	—			
								372	21	—
GUNNERS STORES										
Powder Horns	20	..	..	..				5	27	40
NECESSARIES for the Powder House										
Hair Seive	1	..	..	..				1	2	—
NECESSARIES for the Armoury										
Standing Vice	1	..	..	..	5	11	32			
Hand Do.	4	..	..	..	1	13	20			
Files	48	..	..	..	8	12	40			
Rubbers	5	..	..	..	2	26	40			
								17	27	52
				Pagodas	..			397	6	12

ALEXR. WYNCH
Mility. Storekr.

Arrived Brigantine Lalaw Andera, Leir Mahomud, from Quedah & Porto Novo. 2

This Morning Anchored in the Road our Honble Masters ship Montfort Captain Frederick Vincent from England with a Packet for this Presidency. 3

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVR. PRESIDENT.
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALERR. WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

TUESDAY THE 3RD.

THE Packet from the Honble Court of Directors for this Presidency by the Montfort, being open'd and found agreeable to its List, the General Letter therein contain'd dated the 24th. Janry. 1753 was then read. Packet ℔ Montfort open'd.

ORDER'D that Such Paragraphs of the said Letter as contain Directions relating to any Particular Employ be extracted and deliver'd to the proper Officer. Extracts from the Genl. Letter to be deliver'd the proper Officers.

There being ten chests of small arms on board the Montfort consign'd to Bengal, as we are in great Want of them, 'tis AGREED That they be landed, and an Order is now signed for the Delivery thereof, as also the Military, Treasure, Order sign'd for Delivery of Treasure &ca.

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also 10 Chests of small arms consign'd to Bengal.

Rod Iron and other Wares and stores consigned to this Presidency, and the Committee of Treasury are desired to examine and weigh the Treasure when landed and report to the Board whether it turns out right.

all the small arms consign'd to Bengal this season to be landed here.

Resolv'd that all the Small Arms consign'd to Bengal by the Coast and Bay ships be landed here on their arrival & that such Part as we can possibly spare be sent to the Bay by the Latter ships.

Bombay to be wrote to not to send the Swallow hither.

Our Honble Masters having been pleas'd to acquaint us, That they have directed the President and Council of Bombay to send the Swallow round to us in Case We should think her a proper Vessell to be employed between this Place and the West Coast, 'tis Agreed to write to the Gentlemen at Bombay that as she is Europe built, We have reason to imagine she will be but an unprofitable Vessell, Experience having shewn that Oak is much more liable to Injury & Decay thro' the Heat of this Climate, than Teak, whence a large and Constant charge of Repairs must necessarily arise, besides, We have very lately purchased a ship of about three hundred Tuns for the Company which We apprehend will be sufficient for the Purpose, and therefore shall have no Occasion for the Swallow.

Thos. Saunders.
Chas. Boddam.
Henry Powney.
Ar. Wynch.
John Smith.
Chs. Bourchier.

3 Sailed the Honble Companys ship Marlborough Captain Willm. Parks for Canton.

— Sent by Tappies General Letter to Fort St. David Dated this Day.

— Arriv'd Sloop Charming Fanny, George Ivie from Cochin.

4 Arrived Ship Orange Zaal, Peter Walraven from Negapatam.

— Receiv'd by Tappies General Letter from DeveCotah dated 20th. Ulto.

5 Recd. by from Do. Do. Do. 26th. Ulto.

8 Sail'd Ship Orange Zaal, Peter Walraven for Pulliacat.

— Recd. by Tappies Genl. Letter from Fort St. David dated 4th. Instant.

9 Sent by Pattamar Genl. Letter to the Resident and Council of Bombay dated this Day.

10 Arrived Ship Governour Generaal F. Souten, from Batavia.

— Do. Sloop Mary Ann Assem Cundou from Fort St. David.

At a Consultation

Present

Tuesday the 10th.

Thomas Saunders Esqr. Govr. President.
Charles Boddam. Henry Powney.
Alexr. Wynch John Smith.
Charles Bourchier.

Book of Standing Orders to be laid on the Table every Consultation.

Our Honble Masters in their General Letter receiv'd by the Montfort having been pleased to direct that the Book of Standing Orders be laid on the Table whenever the Council sit, Order'd that the same be complied with and the Book is accordingly now produced.

—— *FORT ST. GEORGE, JULY 1753* ——

The two Last Consultations read & signd.

General Letters read, Viz^{t}.

N. 109 and 110 from M^{r}. George Dawson at DeveCotah the first dated the 20th. Ult^{o}. serving only to accompany the accounts & Papers of that Settlement for the Month of May, the other dated the 26th. Ultimo, acquainting us in answer to Ours of the 18th. that there has always been twenty Garce of Paddy in store there which used annually to be sold out, and a fresh stock bought in, That the account Remains of Military stores, and the Monthly accounts for June shall be forwarded in a few days, Enclosing a Return of the Garrison.

Genl. Letters from Deve Cotah read.

N. 111. From the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort S^{t}. David dated the 4th. Instant accompanying their accounts and Consultations for April promising shortly to forward the Journal Parcells for May, and acquainting us that the Deputy Governour having communicated to them a Letter (which they enclose) from the Master of the Syren Sloop, desiring that a supply of Provisions & Water may be sent him otherwise he apprehends, he shall be obliged to return hither, as he almost despairs of reaching S^{t}. David till the Wind and Currents shift, They in consequence sent him some Provisions and as they are in great want of Money, desire our Leave to dispatch a Mussoolah for Part of the Treasure on board the Syren, That the Farm of their Bound Rent expiring the 12th. Instant they had let it out again to the same Persons for five years at the annual Rent of four thousand five hundred Pagodas, being five hundred Pagodas ℔ annum more than the last. That Cawn Modelaire having again applied to them in answer to our Direction for leaving the Decision of his late Brothers affairs to the Mayors Court, They transmitt Us a copy thereof, and at the same time represent, that should he be obliged to wait the Event of a Law suit, it will be utterly out of their Power to recover any Part of the large Ballance due from him to the Company, as they cannot in Reason expect it till the Disputes with the Creditors of Andeapah's Estate are settled, nor can they venture to make any further advances for fear of encreasing the Ballance, the consequence of which must be that the Investment will suffer.

Genl. Letter from Fort S^{t}. David read.

Resolv'd That twenty chests of Madrass Rupees, Twenty Chests of Arcot Rupees and Ten Chests of Bullion be prepared to be shipp'd in the Montfort for Bengal, which is the Proportion the Gentlemen there desir'd some time since and have not since contradicted and that they be advis'd we shall be under a Necessity of detaining here the Military Recruits intended for them as otherwise the Numbers the French may receive will give them too great a superiority, That we shall also detain Captain Howes who is come out this season on their Establishment & shall give him a Brevet to act as Captain in the Bengal Detachment on this Coast, That our Necessity has obliged us to land ten Chests of small Arms consigned to them ℔ Montfort, but shall by the latter ships forward a Part of what is designed for them.

Treasure to be laden on the Montfort for Bengal.

& the Gentlemen there to be wrote to.

The President lays before the Board the Form of an abstract of the Expences of the Settlement compared with the Preceeding Month explaining the Occasion of any Increase or Decrease, which Method the Board approve and 'tis thereupon Order'd That the accountant do agreeable thereto deliver in monthly such an abstract of all the accounts for the Information of the Board, that a Copy of the Form be sent to the several subordinates, & that they be directed to pursue the like Method and transmitt the same to us.

Form of an abstract of the Monthly accounts produced.

The accountant to observe that method monthly.

Agreeable to Our Honble Masters Directions in the 17th. Paragraph of their Genl. Letter of the 24th. Janry. Order'd that as soon as the several ships consigned to this Place & the Bay are arriv'd and their Treasure landed, The accountant do draw out and lay before the Board an Estimate of what may be necessary for the use of the Settlement on this Coast for the Current Year, particularizing the sums requisite for the Investment, Fortifications Camp, Bonds, and other accounts.

Calculate to be made of what Treasure may be wanted here this season.

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Major Kinneer's Executors to refund or give security for Money advanced his family in England.

The full Pay & allowances due to the late Major Kinneer deceas'd having been paid here, and our Honble Masters having advis'd us that they had advanced his Family in England, Twenty five Pounds on that account 'tis thought proper that his Executors be requir'd to reimburse that sum here or give security that the sum shall be repaid in England and the Secretary is directed to acquaint them herewith.

Books of accotts. of the several employs to be deposited in the accountants Office. List of them & of those in the Secretry's Office to be made.

Many of the old Books of accounts belonging to the Warehouse, storehouse & other Employs having been missing ever since the Restoration of Madrass ORDER'D that Lists be made of such as are in Being, in the Secretary's and accountants Office, and that at the End of every Year when the Books of every Employ are Ballanced and bound up, they be then deposited in the accountants Office (except such as relate to the Secretary which are to remain under his Care) and be kept in Order and readyness to be referr'd to as Occasion may require.

Several articles in the Paymasters accott. Charged to wrong heads to be rectified. The accountant to revise all the accotts. of the several Employs & correct any such kind of Errors.

It being observ'd that several articles in the Paymasters accounts are charged under Improper Heads, such as the Powder Mill now building and the Charges of the Junior Engineer's for their allowances &c^{a}. which are Carried to the Head of Repairs, ORDER'D that a Head be erected for the Powder Mill, That the Junior Engineers allowances be carried to the Head of Fortifications, and as upon a more narrow Inspection, it is probable that many other Irregularities may have crept into the accounts of the several other Employs, ORDER'D that the accountant do carefully revise the same and rectify any Errors of that Kind.

Engineer to deliver in accott. of the Materials of the Portuguese Church. The Engineer to deliver in a Plan & Estimate of new Buildings where the Portugueze Church stood.

Our Honble Masters in the 55th. Paragraph of their Commands receiv'd by the Montfort having been pleased to direct that the Materials of the Portugueze Church be sold and the amount carried to their Credit and also that the adjoining Buildings or square be made convenient for the Military Officers, ORDER'D That M^{r}. Brohier deliver in an account of the said Materials with a proper Valuation, and whether any and what have been employed, and how, and with Respect to the Appartments he is hereby directed to draw out a Plan of a Row of Buildings to be erected where the Church stood, and made one side of the square, together with an Estimate of the charge thereof, and of such Repairs and alterations as may be necessary to render the appartments commodious.

No Repairs above 50 Pag^{s}. to be made without an Order of Consultation.

ORDER'D That no Repairs of any kind whatsoever be made or undertaken without an Order of Consultation except such as may be immediately necessary, & do not exceed the Charge of Fifty Pagodas, and that whenever any Repairs are judged necessary an Estimate of the Expences thereof be made by the Engineer and laid before the Board.

Account sale of Iron Read.

The Storekeeper lays before the Board an account sale of five hundred Candys of Iron sold at Outcry the Thirtieth ult^{o}. amounting to six thousand four hundred and forty five Pagodas (6445) which at an average is near Thirteen Pagodas ℔ Candy, ORDER'D That the said Account be enter'd hereafter.

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Surgeons of the Boscawen and Montfort Petition for Head Money.

Letter from Mr. George Martin Surgeon of the Boscawen, and Petition of Mr. Joseph Leeming Surgeon of the Montfort Read as entered hereafter respectively Praying to be allowed the usual Head Money for the Military Recruits landed here out of those ships Vizt. Fifty three from the Boscowan & Sixty one from the Montfort, ORDER'D that the Military Paymaster do discharge the same if on making the usual Enquiry he finds no cause of Complaint.

Granted.

Treasure pr. Montfort reported right.

The Committee of Treasury report that the Treasure by the Montfort had been examined & weigh'd and that it turned out agreeable to Invoice.

Sea Customer pays in on his Running account.

Henry Powney Sea Customer pays into Cash One thousand (1000) Pagodas on his Running account.

Commissary advanced.

AGREED that two thousand (2000) Pagodas be advanced the Commissary to defray the Charges of the Troops abroad.

THOS: SAUNDERS.
CHAS: BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR: WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CHS: BOURCHIER.

ACCOUNT SALE OF THE HONBLE COMPANY'S IRON AT PUBLICK OUTCRY FOR READY MONEY VIZT :

The Time of Sale.	Quality of *Goods.*	Lott or *Quantity.*	Invoice Price.	Price put up at.	Price sold at.	Amount of each Lott.	To whom sold.
JUNE 30TH. 1753.	IRON.	20 Candy	9 22 —	11 Pags. ℔ Candy.	13⅜ ℔ Candy	267 18 —	Mr. Bourchier
		20 Do.		11 Do.	13 ℔ Do.	260 — —	Mr. Wynch
		20 Do.		11 Do.	12½ Do.	250 — —	Comerapah.
		20 Do.		11 Do.	12⅝ Do.	252 18 —	Do.
		20 Do.		11 Do.	12¾ Do.	255 — —	Pole Chitty.
		20 Do.		11 Do.	12¾ Do.	255 — —	Mr. Wynch.
		20 Do.		11 Do.	12⅝ Do.	252 18 —	Comerapah.
		20 Do.		11 Do.	12⅞ Do.	257 18 —	Do.
		20 Do.		11 Do.	13⅜ Do.	267 18 —	Mr. Bourchier.
		20 Do.		11 Do.	13 Do.	260 — —	Mr. Wynch.
		20 Do.		11 Do.	13 Do.	260 — —	Comerapa Chitty.
		20 Do.		11 Do.	13 Do.	260 — —	Mr. Bourchier.
		20 Do.		11 Do.	13⅛ Do.	262 18 —	Comerapa Chitty.
		20 Do.		11 Do.	12⅞ Do.	257 18 —	Comerapah.
		20 Do.		11 Do.	12⅞ Do.	257 18 —	Do.
		20 Do.		11 Do.	13 Do.	260 — —	Mr. Wynch.
		20 Do.		11 Do.	13 Do.	260 — —	Do.
		20 Do.		11 Do.	13⅛ Do.	262 18 —	Comerapah.
		20 Do.		11 Do.	12⅞ Do.	257 18 —	Do.
		20 Do.		11 Do.	12½ Do.	250 — —	Mr. Wynch.
		20 Do.		11 Do.	12⅝ Do.	252 18 —	Noor Boy.
		20 Do.		11 Do.	13 Do.	260 — —	Gentah Ramiah.
		20 Do.		11 Do.	12½ Do.	250 — —	Mr. Wynch.
		20 Do.		11 Do.	12¾ Do.	255 — —	Genta Ramiah.
		20 Do.		11 Do.	13⅛ Do.	262 18 —	Comerapah.
		500 Candy.			Pagodas ..	6445 — —	

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ERRORS EXCEPTED
℔ ALEXR WYNCH
Storekr.

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To the Honble Thomas Saunders Esqr.

President & Governour &ca. Council of Fort St: George.

The Humble Petition of Joseph Leeming Surgeon of the ship Montfort Sheweth

That your Petitioner having carefully attended the Company's Military Recruits on board the Montfort during the Voyage of whom sixty one have been safely landed here.

He humbly Prays your Honour &ca. Council will be pleased to order him the usual allowance in such cases.

And Your Petitioner shall ever Pray &ca.

Honble Sir & Sirs

There was put on board the Boscawen Captñ Benjamin Braund fifty five soldiers belonging to the Honble Company Fifty three of which were deliver'd here, one was drowned at the Cape, The other died of the scurvey at sea; If you'll be pleased to order the usual Head Money to be paid me for my Care of them, You will oblige

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most Obedt. Hble. Servt.

G. Martin.

Surgeon of the Boscawen.

Fort St: George
July 9th. 1753.

At a Consultation

Present

Thomas Saunders Esqr. Govr. & Presidt. — Wednesday the 11th.
Charles Boddam. — Henry Powney.
Alexr: Wynch. — John Smith.
Charles Bourchier.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

At Eight O'Clock this Morning Anchor'd in our Road The Honble Company's ship Harcourt Captñ. William Webber from England with Mr. Robert Macket Supra Cargo and Mr. Charles Smith Writer Passenger and a Packet — Harcourt arrives.

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Packet open'd. from the Honble Court of Directors for this Presidency which being brought on shore is now open'd, examined with the List, and found to agree therewith, and the General Letter dated the 15th. December, and several other Papers therein contained being compared with those already receiv'd by the other Coast & China Ships arriv'd this season appear to be copies thereof Then was read a separate Letter from Mr. Secretary James dated the 29th. December 1752.

Packet for Bengal to be sent p Montfort. ORDER'D That the Packet received by the Harcourt directed to the President & Council of Bengal be forwarded to them by the Montfort.

Order signed for Delivery of Treasure &ca. AN Order is now signed to Captn. William Webber for the Delivery of the Military Treasure, Wares &ca. on board his ship consign'd to this Presidency.

Committee of Treasury to examine the Treasure & Report. THE Committee of Treasury are desired to examine & weigh the Treasure as usual and report the same to the Board.

THOS: SAUNDERS.
CHAS: BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR: WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CHS: BOURCHIER.

11 Sail'd ship Compton Crote, Meeritsone, for Tenasseree.

— Receiv'd by Tappies Genl. Letter from Fort St. David dated 8th. Instant.

— Do. Do. DeveCotah dated 6th. Instant.

14 Early this Morning anchor'd in our Road The Honble Company's ship Portfield Captain Carteret Le Geyt. from England (Last from Fort St. David with a Packet for this Presidency).

AT A CONSULTATION

Present
THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVR. & PRESIDT.

SATURDAY THE 14 th.

CHARLES BOURCHIER. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXR: WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

The Book of standing Orders lying on the Table.

Packet p Portfield from England open'd. THE Packet from the Honble Court of Directors for this Presidency by the Portfield being open'd and compared with the List are found to be conformable thereto, and the Genl. Letter therein contain'd being perused is of the same Tenour & Date as that receiv'd by the Montfort both dated 24th January 1753, Then was read the separate Genl. Letter relating to the WestCoast also dated the 24th. January 1753.

Order for Delivery of the Treasure. An Order is now signed to Captn. Carteret Le Geyt. for the Delivery of the Treasure &ca. on board the Portfield consign'd to this Presidency.

Order for Captn. LeGeyt to be ready to proceed to Fort St. David, sign'd. ALSO an Order to him to be in Readiness as soon as he has landed the said Consignments, to proceed to Fort St. David.

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The Committee of Treasury are desir'd to examine and weigh the Treasure by the Portfield and report to the Board, whether it turns out Right.

The Committee of Treasury to examine ye Treasure & Report.

THE Two last Consultations read & sign'd.

General Letters read Vizt.

Genl. Letters from St. David.

N. 112 & 114. From the Deputy Governour & Council of Fort St. David, The first dated the 8th. Instant, advising the arrival there of our Honble Master's ship Portfield, also the Syren Sloop, That they shall detain the former but a few Days to take out of her what stores &ca. They may want, and after landing the Military stores & Treasure from the Latter, return her to us, with what Bales they have ready, the other dated the 9th. Instant, acquainting us that they have landed the Treasure &ca. from the Syren which turns out Right and having already expended a Great Part of it, They request another supply against the close of the Month, That finding the Portfield had no stores on board either for this Presidency or Bengal, they have only landed Eight & twenty Military Recruits and one Serjeant, and given the Commander his Dispatches for this Place That agreeable to our Directions Mr. Cooke has taken the Oath (which he should have taken but was omitted on his Admission into Council) and nominated security's.

Genl. Letter from Deve Cotah Read.

N. 113. From Mr. George Dawson at DeveCotah dated 6th. Instant, advising that he had consigned to us on the sloop Mary Anne Six hundred Piles.

Treasure for Bengal to be shipp'd on the Montfort and Dispatches prepared.

The Treasure directed in Consultation the 10th. Instant to be prepared for Bengal being ready, ORDER'D That it be shipp'd on the Montfort and that the Dispatches be held in Readiness to be deliver'd the Commander.

THOS: SAUNDERS.
CHAS: BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR: WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CHS: BOURCHIER.

Sailed Ship Annoumanlou, Mirza Abdulla Beag, for Metchlepatam. 15

Recd. by Peons Genl. Letter from Vizagapatam dated 27th. June. —

Sailed the Honble Company's ship Montfort Captn Frederick Vincent for Bengal with a Genl. Letter for the Honble the President & Council there dated Yesterday. 16

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS SAUNDERS GOVR. & PRESIDT.
CHARLES BOURCHIER. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXR: WYNCH. JOHN SMITH
CHARLES BODDAM.

MONDAY THE 16TH.

The Book of standing Orders lying on the Table.

Last Consultation read & signed.

Genl. Letter from Vizagapatam Read.

No. 115. General Letter from Mr. George Pigot Chief &ca. Council of Vizagapatam dated the 27th. Ult°. Read, Acknowledging the Receipt of our Letters of the 21st. May and 20th. June, advising that they had landed the Treasure sent them on the Sea Horse Sloop, and assuring us that they will

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pay the greatest Regard to the Directions relating to the Investment, but that that they have at present very little Prospect of encreasing it, as the Merchants are extreamly backward in bringing in Cloth either thro' the Dearness of Cotton, the Scarcity of Copper Money or that a very strict Regard is paid to the sortments, tho' in all other Respects They have every Indulgence shewn them, That they have set their Painters to work, and hope in September to send us up a few Corge of Chints as samples with Variety of Patterns, Enclosing their Monthly Papers.

Edgbaston's Dispatches for China signed.

The Several Consignments to this Presidency by the Edgbaston being landed, The Dispatches to Captn. Edward Tiddeman are now sign'd, also a Genl. Letter to Messrs. Fredk. Pigou, Henry Hadley and Thomas Fitzhugh Supra Cargoes of that ship at Canton, both dated this Day.

Boscawen's Dispatches to be prepared.

The Boscawen being almost in Readiness to sail, Order'd that the Commanders Dispatches be prepared, and a Genl. Letter to the Supra Cargo's to the same Purport as those already wrote to the Supra Cargo's of the other ships.

Fort St. David to be wrote to.

Agreed to write to the Gentlemen at Fort St. David in answer to their several Letters reced since our Last that We are surpriz'd at their supineness in not having sent Water and Provisions to the Syren as the Master told Mr. Starke when he left the sloop that if he was not supplied, he should be oblig'd to bear away by the 6th. That after the President had wrote Mr. Starke the 3d., (which he Confess'd the Receipt of) That they should be ordered in a Genl. Letter to send a Boat for the Treasure on board the Syren, it was rather too late to call a Consultation on the subject; it should have been done before, That in Regard to Cawn Moodelee's Affair, We have already given Directions on that head, That We have always avoided intermeddling in cases of Property nor have any Right to do it, and except in Petty Cases the Choultry Court have generally recommended to Arbitration, That we therefore direct they do not interfere but that the Parties be left at full Liberty either to apply to the Mayors Court or chuse such Arbitrators as they shall think fit, and that no compulsive Measures be used. That what they say in Regard to the Investment being affected thereby is idle and childish, had Cawn Moodelee paid in the whole Ballance, except this sum, there might be some shadow of Reason in it but the whole of his Demand does not exceed six or seven thousand Pagodas, and his Debt to the Company is upwards of Eighteen thousand, besides when the Merchants complain that the Circumstances of the Times will not admitt of their bringing in Cloth, We see no Reason for making them Advances to lye in their Hands for carrying on their private Trade, That we observe they have been very dilatory of late in forwarding their accounts, and insist on their being sent immediately as well as the Nabob's which in future must be transmitted Monthly. That Doctor Archd. Keir who was entertained for the army must attend a Detachment we shall send them on the Portfeild and his Wages must be paid him from the Time of his arrival at St. David, but no Batta.

Extracts to be sent to St. David & other subordinates.

Order'd That an Extract of the account of Goods over and wanting (Receiv'd by the Portfield) so far as relates to Fort St. David be sent to the Gentlemen there and that they be order'd to rectify the Errors and recover the Deficiencies of the Warehouse People, and that a Copy of the 62d. Paragraph of Our Honble Masters Commands dated the 24th. Janry. 1753 in Relation to the Remains of Military stores be also sent them and to the other subordinates, and their Compliance requir'd.

Stores for the Northern Settlements to be prepared to be sent by Syren.

The Syren sloop being shortly expected to arrive from Fort St. David, Order'd that the supplys of stores for the use of the Northern settlements agreeable to their Indents be prepared to be sent thither on that Vessell, That an Invoice of the Gun Powder sent to Viziram Rauze in consequence of a

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Resolution in Consultation the 25th. Ultimo be sent to the Gentlemen at Vizagapatam, That they be directed to receive the amount thereof from him and credit account Curt. Fort St. George for the same.

Gentlemen at Vizagapatam to receive of Viziram Rauze the amount of Gun Powder supplied him & credit us.

It being observed that the Peons charged in the Paymasters account amount to a very large Number, tho' it is urged that no more have been employed than what absolute Necessity requir'd, 'Tis however ORDER'D That one hundred be struck off the List to be taken from such Employs where they can best be spar'd.

One hundred peons to be struck off the List.

The Committee of Treasury report that they had examined and weigh'd the Treasure by the Harcourt and Portfield and that the former turned out Right, but that they found a Deficiency of Nineteen Ounces & three quarters (19¾ ozs.) of silver in one of the Bags in chest N. 653. by the Portfield & that the Bag was torn, but the chest whole.

Treasure ℔ Harcourt right.

Treasure ℔ Portfield deficient.

ORDER'D that the Deficiency be made good by the Commander of that ship.

To be made good by the Commander.

The Import Warehousekeeper delivers in as enter'd hereafter an account of Goods deficient & Cloth damag'd by the ships Edgbaston & Boscawen consigned to this Presidency amounting to £. 146. 14. 9 sterling or three hundred & sixty six Pagodas thirty fans. and thirty Cash (366. 30. 30.) which he acquaints the Board he has received of the respective Commanders and debited himself in account for the same.

Import Warehouse account Deficiencies ℔ Edgbaston & Boscawen.

The Storekeeper delivers in as enter'd hereafter an account of sundry Deficiencies in the stores consign'd to this Presidency by the Montfort, Edgbaston & Boscawen amounting to £. 38.5.6 or Ninety five Pagodas Twenty four fanams and seventy five Cash (95. 24. 75) which he acquaints the Board he has receiv'd of the Respective Commanders & debited himself in account for the same.

Storehouse accott. Deficiency's ℔ Montfort, Edgbaston & Boscawen.

Henry Powney Import Warehousekeeper pays into Cash Four thousand three hundred & twenty four Pagodas, Eleven Fanams and fifty four Cash (4324. 11. 54) on account of Rupees sold.

Money paid in for Rupees sold.

Alexander Wynch storekeeper pays into Cash three thousand (3000) Pagodas on his Running account.

Storekr. pays in on his Running account.

AGREED That seven thousand three hundred & Twenty four Pagodas Eleven Fanams & Fifty four Cash (7324. 11. 54) be advanced the Commissary to defray the Charges of the Troops abroad.

Commissary advanced.

THOS: SAUNDERS.
CHAS: BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR: WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CHS: BOURCHIER.

ACCOUNT of Defficiency's in weight & the short Delivery ℔ following ships Vizt :

SHIP MONTFORT

	℔	qr	lb				
Iron Rod 2 bundles wt.	1	3	17	£	1	18	—
Advance 30 ℔ Cent.					—	11	5
				£	2	9	5

@ 8 ℔ Pags. 6 Fans. 6 Cash 30

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Account of Defficience y's in weight & short Delivery—*cont.*

SHIP EDGBASTON.

	℔	gr.	lb.	£		
Iron Bar 6 .. wt.	8	—	—	6	6	6
Sea Coals 14 bushells.				—	13	5
Glass Lantern 1 ..				—	8	10
Spare Glass 1 ..				—	—	4
Tin Plates 2 ..				—	1	10
				7	10	11
Advance 30 ℔ Cent ..				2	5	3
				£ 9	16	2 @ 8 sh. ℔ Paga. 24 18 60

SHIP BOSCAWEN.

	℔	qr.	lb.			
Iron Bar 8 .. wt.	10	2	5	9	11	5
Bolt ..	7	3	27	10	11	9
Rod ..	4	1	24	3	8	7
Nails 3d. ..	—	2	3	1	6	8
6d. ..	—	3	6	1	10	11
10d. ..	—	—	8	—	2	6
Sheathing ..	—	1	3	—	8	7
Brass locks 12 ..				1	6	5
Copper Plates ..	—	—	2	—	3	1
Europe Fine Twine ..	—	—	5	—	5	6
Do. Course Do. ..	—	—	2	—	—	11
Tar ½ Barrell ..				—	11	—
				29	7	4
Advance 30 ℔ Cent ..				8	16	2½
				£ 38	5	6½ @ 8s. ℔ Pag. 95 24 75

ALEXR WYNCH.
Storekeeper.

ACCOUNT OF GOODS damaged & deficient ℔ ships Edgbaston and Boscawen.

℔ EDGBASTON.

	℔	gr.	lb.	£		
Perpetuanoes fine broad damag'd 4 Pcs.				£ 19	16	—
Copper 1 Plate wanting deficient in wt. ..	4	—	11	25	—	5
Lead deficient ..	7	—	18	5	14	—
				£ 50	10	5
Europe Charges ½ ℔ Cent				—	5	1
				£ 50	15	6
Advance 30 ℔ Cent				15	4	8
				£ 66	—	2 @ 8s ℔ Pag. 165 — 60

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HENRY POWNEY,
Import Wareh°. kr.

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℔ Boscawen

Broad Cloth aurora damaged 1 ps			£	6	5	3
Do. Ordinary Green 9 ps.				43	6	3
	℔	qr.	lb.			
Copper deficient in wt.	2	—	1	12	—	11
Lead Do.			24	—	3	5
			£	61	15	10
Europe Charges ½ ℔ Ct.				—	6	2
			£	62	2	—
Advance 30 ℔ Ct.				18	12	7
			£	80	14	7@ 8 ℔ Pag. 201 29 50

Henry Powney.

Fort Sr: George
July 16th 1753.

Import Wareho. kr.

Sail'd the Honble Company's Ship Edgbaston Captn. Edward Tiddeman for Canton. 17

Sail'd sloop Mary Anne, Assem Condou for Fort St. David. 18

Sail'd the Honble Company's ship Portfield Captn. Carteret Le Geyt for Fort St. David with a Genl. Letter to the Gentlemen there dated yesterday. 19

Arriv'd the Honble Company's sloop Syren Page Keble from Fort St. David with Genl. Letter dated 17th. Instant. —

Sent by Tappies Genl. Letter to Fort St. David dated this Day agreeable to Resolution of last Consultation. —

Sign'd Dispatches dated this Day to Captain Benjamin Braund of ship Boscawen also Genl. Letter to Messrs. Liel, Wood, De Visme, Horner & Harrison Supra Cargoes of that ship. —

Sail'd the Honble Company's ship Boscawen Captn. Benjamin Braund Commander for Canton. 20

Rece'd ℔ Peons Genl. Letter from Bandarmalanka dated 4th. Instant. —

Do. ℔ Tappies Genl. Letter from DeveCotah dated 15th. Instant. —

Do. ℔ Pattamar Genl. Letter from Tellicherry dated 10th. Ulto. 21

Sail'd ship Travencore, formerly the Griffin, Willm. Swallow, alias Noque-dah Caulley for Manilha. 23

Do. Brigantine Lalaw Andera, Seer Mahomed for Bengal. —

Receiv'd by Pattamar Genl. Letter from Anjengo dated 30th. Ultimo. —

Receiv'd by Tappies Genl. Letter from Fort St David dated 19th. Instant. 23

At a Consultation

Present

Thomas Saunders Esqr. Govr. Presidt
Chas: Boddam. Henry Powney.
Alexr: Wynch. John Smith.
Chas: Bourchier.

Monday the 23d.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

Last Consultation read & sign'd.

General Letters read Vizt.

N. 116 and N. 121 from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort St. David, The first dated the 17th. Instant, advising that they have dispatch'd the Syren to us with Eighty Bales, and enclose the Invoice, also copy of a Letter Genl. Letter from Fort St. David. Read.

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to them from Captn. Gardiner Commandant there, setting forth that the Garrison being much weaken'd by the Detachment lately sent from thence to reinforce the army, he thinks it absolutely necessary the French Deserters, should be sent to some other Place as the Garrison is sufficiently employ'd in guarding the Prisoners, Enclosing also Copy of a Letter to them from their Military storekeeper, setting forth that sundry stores had been heretofore serv'd out, but never brought to account only kept on Memorandum and desiring Directions in that Respect how to adjust his Books, acquainting us also that they had sent Mr. Archd. Keir, Surgeon with the Detachment to Camp and advanc'd him four Month's Pay from his arrival, that the Buckaneer Pieces & Trading Guns sent them ℔ Syren being all issued out, and having no Muskets with Bayonnetts in store, they desire four hundred stand may be sent them also Twenty thousand Musket Flints. The other dated 19th. Instant serving only to accompany their Monthly accounts for May.

Genl. Letter from Madapollam read.

N. 117. From Mr. John Andrews at Bandarmalanka dated the 4th. July, acknowledging the Receipt of ours of the 20th. ultimo with Ten thousand Madrass Pagodas & two Bales Perpetuanoes and acquainting us that he finds it very difficult to keep up to any tolerable sortment of Cloth, as well on account of the Scarcity of Copper Money as because the French have sixteen merchants in that Country, to Each of whom They have advanc'd Five thousand Pagodas and take in all the cloth they can get without regarding Measure or sortment.

Genl. Letter from DeveCotah read.

No. 118. From Mr. George Dawson at DeveCotah dated the 15th. instant enclosing the accounts of that Settlement for last Month, also account remains of Military stores.

Genl. Letter from Tellicherry read.

N. 119. From Thomas Dorrill Esqr. Chief &ca. Factors at Tellicherry dated 10th. Ulto. Enclosing a Packet for their superiours at Bombay which they desire us to forward & acquainting us that they fill'd up the Hector and dispatch'd her Home the 7th. May, That the Durrington returned to Bombay & will probably lay out the Rains there & proceed to the Bay in August That the Pelham fill'd up at Anjengo & sail'd thence for Europe the 7th. April as did the Royal Duke from Tellicherry for China the 4th. May with a full Quantity of Sandalwood.

Genl. Letter from Anjengo read.

N. 120 From George Scott Esqr. Chief and Cetera Factors at Anjengo dated 30th. Ulto. serving to accompany a Packet to be forwarded to the President & Council of Bombay.

Packets from Tellicherry & Anjengo to be forwarded to Bombay with a Genl. Letter.

ORDER'D That the Packets receiv'd from Tellicherry & Anjengo to be forwarded to Bombay, be dispatch'd thither by Pattamar and that a Genl. Letter be prepar'd to accompany the same, advising the arrival & Departure of the Europe ships, and that We shall shortly dispatch the Syren to Bengal.

Treasure for the Northern settlements to be sent to Vizagapatm on the Syren sloop.

RESOLV'D That Fifteen thousand Madrass Pagodas, and One hundred thousand Arcot Rupees for the use of Vizagapatam, Fifteen thousand Madrass Pagodas for the use of Ingeram, and Ten thousand Madrass Pagodas for Madapollam be laden on the Syren and consign'd to George Pigot Esqr. &ca. Council at Vizagapatam for the above mentioned uses, That Genl. Letters to the several Northern Settlements be prepar'd acquainting them that we shall not be able to send them any further supplys this season, that we are coining some Copper Money which shall be forwarded to them when ready, That we are concerned to find their Investments are not likely to turn out so well as we were induc'd to hope they would, and strongly recommend to them to exert themselves as we must depend greatly on their Performance the Troubles in these Parts being a severe check on Ours

Genl. Letters to be wrote to the three Northern Settlements.

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Pursuant to Our Honble Masters Commands in their separate General Letter dated 24th. January 1753 directing us to appoint Two of their servants on this Establishment, to proceed to the West Coast as Supra Vizors for the Purposes mention'd in their said Letter, The Board having consider'd of Proper Persons to be sent on this Business are of Opinion That as none of the Company's servants on this Coast have ever been at the West Coast, That Messrs. Dawsonne Drake and John Walsh are as well qualified for this Charge as any can be who have not a particular & experimental knowledge of the affairs of that settlement, and they are accordingly hereby appointed to proceed thither by the first Conveyance, That may offer, of which the Secretary is directed to acquaint Mr. Walsh and to insert a Paragraph in the next Genl. Letter to Fort St. David for the Information of Mr. Drake that they may prepare themselves accordingly.

Messrs. Dawsonne Drake & John Walsh appointed Supra Visors to the West coast.

AND as by the Appointment of Mr. Dawsonne Drake a vacancy is made in the Council at Fort St. David, RESOLVED That Mr. John Pybus do succeed him in his station there and Employs.

Mr. John Pybus to succeed Mr. Drake at St. David.

Mr. Charles Boddam late Commissary delivers in the Nabob Annaverdee Cawns account from Ultimo December to Ultº. April last, ORDER'D That the accountant do examine & carry the same to its proper Head.

Nabob's accott. to ultº. April deliver'd in.

PURSUANT to an Order of Consultation the 10th. Instant, an account of the Materials of the Portugueze Church, sign'd by Mr. John Brohier is now deliver'd in expressing what Part has been employed and where, and what yet remains with the value thereof ORDER'D That such Part of the said Materials as are yet unemployed be sold at Outcry and that the Amount thereof together with the amount of what has already been us'd be carried to account in the Genl. Books under a new Head of Portugueze Church, to be erected for that Purpose.

Accott. of the Materials of the Portugueze Church deliver'd in

A new Head to be erected in the Genl. Books.

The Petition of Duncan Robertson read as enter'd hereafter setting forth that at the Desire of Mr. Robins, he was taken out of the Companys ship Swallow and sent on an Expedition to the Northward with Mr. Hopkins & Mr. Knapton where he remain'd Eight Months and praying an allowance of Eight Pagodas ℔ Month during that Time The Board are of Opinion that as he was employed on the Companys service, it is but reasonable he should be gratifyed, ORDER'D That the sum prayed for be paid him.

Petition of Duncan Robertson for allowance for service &ca

Letter from Mr. Edward Holwell Surgeon of the Harcourt and Petition of Ronald Wauch Surgeon of the Portfield read as enter'd hereafter Respectively requesting the usual Head Money on Twenty three Military Recruits landed here out of the Harcourt and Twenty Eight out of the Portfield. ORDER'D That the Military Paymaster do discharge the same first making the usual Enquiry.

Surgeons of the Harcourt & Portfield Petition for Head Money.

ORDER'D That the Secretary deliver to the Assay Master an account of the Tower Assays of the China Gold receiv'd by the Warwick also an accott. of the weight & Tower assay of Coins receiv'd from Fort St. David in 1752 and require his answer in writing to the last Paragraph of the first and his Reasons why the Rupees mention'd in the last were not equal to their proper Weight & Fineness.

Accott. Tower Assays to be deliver'd the Assay Master & his Reasons demanded.

Henry Powney Sea Customer pays into Cash Two thousand (2000) Pagodas on his Running account.

Money paid in by the Sea Customer.

Henry Powney Import Warehousekeeper pays in Cash Thirty Eight thousand (38,000) Pagodas on his Running account.

Impo. Warehousekr.

Alexander Wynch Storekeeper pays into Cash Two thousand (2000) Pagodas on his Running account.

Storekeeper On their aunninfi recounts.

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Money advanced on account of the Investment

AGREED That the following advances be made to the Merchants on account of the Company's Investment Vizt:

To Tellasinga Chittee & Cundapah Chittee,
Five Thousand (5000) Pagodas.
To Gundaveddy Vencaty Ramah & Nella Chittee
Five thousand (5000) Pagodas.
To Sunca Vencata Ramah & Ambeltoddy Chittee
Five thousand (5000) Pagodas.

THOS: SAUNDERS.
CHAS: BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR: WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CHS: BOURCHIER.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR COUNCIL &cA.

THE HUMBLE PETITION OF DUNCAN ROBERTSON

SHEWETH

That Your Honours Petitioner did belong to the Honble Companys ship The Swallow Captn. Bell, and by the Desire of the late Benjamin Robins Esqr. with the Consent of his Captain, was taken out of the said ship, and sent upon an Expedition to the Northward with Captn Charles Hopkins and Mr. Knapton on the Honble Company's service, where he remain'd Eight Months, and that Your Honour some time ago was pleas'd to promise that he should be paid at the Rate of Eight Pagodas ℔ Month for the time He was to the Northward, But as yet he has not Receiv'd anything for his Service. Therefore Your Honours Petitioner humbly prays that you would be pleas'd to order him the Payment thereof.

And Your Honour's Petitioner as in Duty bound shall ever Pray &ca.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I beg Leave to acquaint you that there were Twenty five soldiers shipp'd on board the Harcourt Indiaman for this Place, Twenty three of whom were landed here the others left the ship at Portsmouth, I humbly request your Honors to give me an Order to receive the usual Head Money, & You'll much oblige Your Honors

Most Obedt. & most humble servant

E. HOLWELL,
Surgeon of the Harcourt.

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To the Honble Thomas Saunders Esq^{R}. &c^{A}.

Council of Fort S^{T}. George.

The Humble Petition of Ronald Waugh Surgeon of the Portfield,

Sheweth,

That there was sent on shoar at Fort S^{t}. David from on board the said ship Twenty Eight of the Honble East India Companys soldiers, Beg you would please grant the Head Money that is allowed,

And Your Petitioner will ever pray

Ronauld Waugh

Fort S^{T}: George
July 23^{D}. 1753.

Sail'd ship Governeur General Frederick Souter for Puliacut.

In the Evening arriv'd our Honble Masters ships Falmouth Captn. Thos. Field, and Egmont Captain Thomas Tolson from England and with Packets for this Presidency, and M^{r}. George Pyne Writer, Passenger on the Former. 24 —

At a Consultation

Present

Thomas Saunders Gov^{R}. & Presid^{T}.
Chas: Boddam. Henry Powney.
Alex^{R}: Wynch. John Smith.
Charles Bourchier.

Wednesday the 25th at 8 O'Clock in the morning.

The Book of standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Packet from the Honble Court of Directors for this Presidency by Egmont being first brought on shore, & open'd is found agreeable to its List and the Gen^{l}. Letter therein contain'd dated 24th Jan^{ry}. and also seperate General Letter of the same Date relating to the West Coast being compard with those already receiv'd by the Monfort & Portfield appear to be Duplicates thereof. Packet from England per Egmont open'd.

Then were open'd two Packets from the Honble Court of Directors for this Presidency by the Falmouth, in One whereof was contain'd General Letter and seperate General Letter of the same Tenour & Date as those receiv'd by the Egmont as also the several other Papers mention'd in the List of the Packet enclos'd therein. Two Packets from England per Falmouth open'd.

In the other Packet was contain'd an Exemplification of his Majesty's Royal Charter for Establishing a Mayors Court at Madrass, a Court of Requests, Court of Oyer & Terminer & Goal Delivery & other Officers of Justice, also a seperate Packet from our Honble Masters enclosing their Gen^{l}. Letter dated the 24th. Jan^{ry}. 1753 Relating to the said Charter and sundry other Papers agreeable to the List of the Packet enclos'd therein, also some Books of Law & several others as particularly mention'd in the said List. One of them contains a Charter for a Mayors Court &c^{a}.

The abovementioned Gen^{l}. Letter relating to the Charter being read. The Board pursuant to Our Honble Masters former Directions proceeded to read & compare the said Exemplification with the two Copies thereof, receiv'd in the Packet, wherein were found. several Errors (tho' none very material), words and sentences in the Copies being in some Places omitted, and in others more than in the Original, in all which Respects the Copies were rectifyed and render'd conformable to the Exemplification. Charter read.

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Board to meet on Monday the 30th Instant on the Business of the Charter.

RESOLV'D That the Members of this Board do meet again on Monday the 30th. Instant at 8 o'Clock in the Morning to qualify themselves and take upon them respectively the Office of his Majesty's Justices of the Peace & Commission of Oyer & Terminer and Goal Delivery pursuant to the Directions in his Majesty's said Charter, and also to nominate a Mayor in the Room of Mr. Cornelius Goodwin who is gone to Europe, and to fill up the Vacancies in the Court of Aldermen occasion'd by the Disqualification of several of those nam'd in the Charter.

Order sign'd for Delivery of the Treasure &ca. Falmouth & Egmont.

Orders are now signed to Captn. Thos. Field of the Falmouth and Captn. Thomas Tolson of the Egmont for the Delivery of the Treasure & Military on board their respective ships to the Wares, stores &ca. consign'd to this Presidency.

THOS: SAUNDERS.
CHAS: BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR: WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CHAS: BOURCHIER.

25 Sail'd Brigantine St. George, Thos. Vrymoct for Puliacat.

27 Sail'd Honble Company's sloop Syren, Page Keble for Vizagapatam & Bengal with General Letters for those two Settlements Ingeram & Madapollam, all dated this Day.

— Reced by Tappies Genl. Letter from Fort St. David dated 24th. Instant.

28 Arriv'd ship Shirley, Thomas Powney from Bengal & Fort St. David with a Genl. Letter from the Gentlemen there dated 26th. Instant.

29 Arriv'd the Honble Company's ship Elizabeth Captain Edward Wills from England with a Packet for this Presidency.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

SUNDAY THE 29TH.

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR: GOVR: PRESIDT.
CHAS: BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXR: WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

Packet from England Elizabeth open'd.

Captn. Wills being come on shore with the Packet from England for this Presidency, The same was open'd, compar'd with the List and found to agree therewith then the Genl. Letter therein contain'd dated 24th. Janry; 1753 was perus'd, and is of the same Tenour & Date as that already receiv'd by the other Coast & Bay ships.

Order for Delivery of Treasure &ca. ℔ Elizabeth.

An Order sign'd to Captn. Wills for the Delivery of the Treasure and Military on board his ship and the several Wares and stores consign'd to this Presidency.

Genl. Letter from Fort St. David read.

N. 122 & N. 123 General Letters from the Deputy Governour & Council of Fort St. David, The first dated the 24th. Instant, acquainting us of the arrival there of our Honble Masters ship Winchelsea with Colonel Scott, Passenger,

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The other dated the 26th. Instant advising that the Shirley having imported there, They had landed out of her the Gunpowder from Bengal, which being in a bad condition They have order'd a survey, and shall transmitt us a copy of the Report.

THOS: SAUNDERS.
CHAS: BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR: WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CHS: BOURCHIER.

Receed by Tappies Genl. Letter from Fort St. David dated 26th. Instant. 29

Do. Do. Do. dated 27th. Instt. 3

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR: GOVR: PRESIDT. — MONDAY THE 30TH.
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXR: WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

The Book of standing Orders lying on the Table.

The three last Consultations read & signd.

The Board meet to qualify themselves for Justices &ca.

Agreeable to the Resolution of Consultation the 25th. Instant, the several Members of the Council now Resident at Fort St. George, having taken their seats at the Board in order to qualify themselves for the Offices of his Majesty's Justices of the Peace, and Commissioner of Oyer & Terminer and Goal Delivery, and that Part of his Majesty's Charter relating thereto being again read, pursuant to the Directions therein contain'd, the President in Presence of the several other Members of the Council whose Names are subscrib'd at the foot hereof took the following Oaths on the holy Evangelists Vizt.

The President takes the Oath.

I THOMAS SAUNDERS DO SINCERELY PROMISE & SWEAR THAT I WILL BE FAITHFUL & BEAR TRUE ALLEGIANCE TO HIS MAJESTY KING GEORGE THE SECOND SO HELP ME GOD.

THE Oath of the Justice of Peace & Commissr. of Oyer & Terminer & Goal Delivery was then administred to the President in the following words.

YOU SHALL SWEAR THAT YOU WILL WELL & TRUELY SERVE OUR SOVEREIGN LORD THE KING IN THE OFFICE OF JUSTICE OF THE PEACE IN AND FOR THE TOWN OF MADRASSPATNAM AND IN AND FOR FORT ST. GEORGE, FORT ST. DAVID, VIZAGAPATAM THE FACTORY'S ON THE COAST OF SUMATRA AND ALL OTHER THE FACTORYS SUBORDINATE TO FORT ST. GEORGE, AND ALSO AS JUSTICE TO HEAR & DETERMINE THE WRONGS AND GRIEVANCES DONE TO THE KING AND HIS PEOPLE ACCORDING TO YOUR CHARTER, AND SHALL DO RIGHT TO ALL MANNER, OF PERSONS POOR & RICH ACCORDING TO YOUR KNOWLEDGE AND POWER WITHOUT FEAR OR FAVOUR

SO HELP YOU GOD.

The several Members of the Council take the Oaths.

THE President then administred the foregoing Oaths in the words above written to the several other Members of the Council present Vizt:

Charles Boddam, Henry Powney Alexr. Wynch, John Smith and Charles Bourchier, Who respectively took the same on the Holy Evangelists.

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A New Mayor appointed & several New Aldermen.

The Filling up the Places of Mayor and Aldermen become vacant by the Disqualification of some of those appointed in the Charter being taken under Consideration That Part of the Charter was again read wherein his Majesty has been pleas'd to Will, grant & appoint that Cornelius Goodwin should be the next and modern Mayor, and that William Percival, Dawsonne Drake, Robert Clive, Samuel Banks, John Walsh, Samuel Greenhaugh George Mackay, Andrew Ross & Will^{m}. Roberts, Merchants, should be the next & Modern Aldermen and his Majesty has been pleas'd also thereby to ordain and direct if the said Mayor or any of the said Aldermen should dye or depart the East Indies or should remove to any of the Companys other Settlements or should otherwise be absent from the Town of Madrasspatnam by the space of twelve Calendar Months before Notice of the said Charter or before the [*sic*] should be sworn into their respective offices it should be lawful for the Governour or President & Council at Fort S^{t}. George for the Time being or the Major Part of them (whereof the Governour or President, or in his Absence the Senior of the Council then residing at Fort S^{t}. George aforesaid to be one) to nominate any other fit Person or Persons out of the principal Inhabitants of the said Town of Madrasspatnam to be the modern Mayor or Aldermen, and to admit and swear him or them into their respective Office or Offices as if nam'd in his Majesty's said Charter to be such respective Officers AND WHEREAS Cornelius Goodwin and Robert Clive having some time since departed from the East Indies on their Return to Europe and Dawsonne Drake, Samuel Banks & William Roberts having been absent from the said Town of Madrasspatnam above the space of twelve Calendar Months, to wit, the two former at Subordinate Settlements, and the Latter on a voyage to Parts beyond the seas their respective Places and Offices of Mayor and Aldermen are thereby become void, Now THEREFORE The Governor or President and Council at Present Resident at Fort S^{t}. George in Pursuance of his Majestys Royal will and Pleasure, and by virtue of the Powers vested in them by the said Charter HAVE Nominated and appointed, and do hereby nominate and appoint William Percival (one of the next and Modern Aldermen appointed in the said Charter) to be the next & modern Mayor of the said Town or Factory of Madrasspatnam in the Place & stead of the said Cornelius Goodwin, AND Andrew Monro, Edward Edwards, Richard Fairfield, John Browning and John Smith to be Aldermen of the said Town or Factory of Madrasspatnam in the Places and stead of the said Dawsonne Drake, Robert Clive, Samuel Banks & William Roberts, in as full and ample a manner as if they were named in his Majesty's said Charter to be such respective Officers.

The Board to meet on Thursday next to swear the Mayor & Aldermen.

RESOLV'D That this Board do meet again on Thursday the 2^{d}. of Aug^{t}. next at ten of the Clock in the Forenoon to administer the Oaths to the Mayor and Aldermen requir'd by the Charter, and

Secretary to summon them to attend.

ORDER'D That the Secretary do for that Purpose summon such of them as are now Resident at Fort S^{t}. George to attend the Board on the said Day & hour.

Mr. Browning appointed under the Expo. Warehousekr.

RESOLV'D That M^{r}. John Browning at present at Fort S^{t}. David, appointed one of the Aldermen of the Mayors Court be order'd to this Presidency by the first Conveyance, and that he be station'd under the Export Warehousekeeper.

General Letters from Fort St. David read.

N. 124 and N. 125. Gen^{l}. Letters from the Deputy Governour & Council of Fort S^{t}. David read, The first dated the 26th. Instant acquainting us of the arrival there of the Portfield and that they propose sending her to DeveCotah to land the Military as it will facilitate their March to the Army, and a Material Reason for this step is a Rumour that a Party of the Enemy have cross'd the Coleroon with a Design of beseiging that Fort. That they have resolv'd to

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order Captain Ridge to wait at DeveCotah till we shall acquaint them whether We intend to send the Recruits receiv'd by the Falmouth & Egmont to join the above Detachment. That they have landed forty nine Swiss from the Winchelsea which they intend to send in Chelingas* with the Portfield to DeveCotah, as she cannot take them in; That Captain Ridge has represented to them, he apprehends great Danger of Desertion in his March and knows not how to prevent it unless join'd by a Party of Seapoys; That they cannot spare any, but think some might be raisd expeditiously if approv'd. The other dated the 27th. Instant serving only to enclose a Report of the Proof of the Bengal Gun Powder landed there out of the Shirley.

Dispatches Harcourt to be prepared.

The Harcourt being almost ready to sail, ORDER'D That the Dispatches to the Commander and a Letter of Advice to Messrs. Mordecai Walker & Robert Macket the Supra Cargo's be prepar'd

Fort St. David to be wrote to,

AGREED to write to the Deputy Governour & Council of Fort St. David in answer to the Several Letters receiv'd from them since our Last that We approve their Resolution of sending the Portfield to Devecotah which was agreeable to what the President wrote Mr. Starke, but Captn. Ridge's waiting there till it be known, whether we intend sending the Recruits receiv'd ℔ Falmouth & Egmont is needless as they must be first train'd, & unless the Swiss landed from the Winchelsea be disciplin'd, they will be rather of Disservice than advantage, That Major Lawrence must be advis'd of the March of this Party that he may concert proper Measures That the Portfield must be detained no longer than necessary, That the French Deserters must be sent hither by the first Conveyance, That we shall send them further supplys of Treasure as Opportunities offer, That a Charter for a Mayors Court is arriv'd but causes between the Natives are not to be determin'd in it unless both Partys agree to it, that this must be signified to Cawn Moodelee on whose Affair we have already given our Opinion, That we have appointed Mr. John Browning to assist in our Export Warehouse he must therefore proceed hither by the first Opportunity.

Letter from Mr. Walsh read.

Letter from Mr. John Walsh read as enterd hereafter, Representing that his constitution has been so much impair'd by a series of Illness that it will not allow him to undertake the supervizorship at the West Coast besides that the Regimen he is oblig'd to observe and the bad Effects he finds from the Rainy season here gives him Reason to apprehend very bad Consequences from the moist soil of Sumatra and therefore desiring the Board will excuse him from that Charge ORDER'D that the said Letter do lye on the Table.

To lye on the Table.

Redwood to be sent to Bengal ℔ Shirley.

The full quantity of Redwood indented for from Bengal not having been yet sent the Gentlemen there for Want of a Conveyance, RESOLV'D That as much be shipp'd & consign'd to them on the Shirley as she can take in not exceeding 500 Candys.

Mr. Wynch Contractor for the army desires the Extra charges of Provisns. may be paid by the Company & his Reason for it.

Mr. Alexander Wynch Contractor for furnishing the Army with Provisions represents to the Board the great Difficulties he labours under in supplying them in the Trichinopoly country, on which account he had propos'd giving the Men the whole sum allow'd him to provide for themselves, but that Major Lawrence judging this would by no Means answer the End, since the army might thereby happen some times to be drove to great streights for Want of necessary subsistence, had order'd the surplus Charge to be defray'd out of the Military Chest, being sensible of the Impossibility of procuring the stipulated Quantity & Quality of Provisions for the allowance of 4 fanams ℔ Man ℔ Day, He therefore requests the Board will consider the circumstances of the Case & not insist upon the Performance of his agreement whilst the Army continues in the Tritchinopoly Country, as in that Case he must inevitably be a very great Loser. Whereon the Board are of Opinion that as the March of of the Army to the southward was not expected at the Time of making the Contract with Mr. Wynch it would be a great Hardship on him were he oblig'd to bear the

* Lighters, small country craft—Vestiges of old Madras by Col. Love, Vol. II, p. 391.

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Mr. Wynchs Request Granted whilst the Army remains in the Trichenopoly Country.

Loss that must necessarily arise from the Scarcity and Dearness of Provisions in those Parts, it is therefore AGREED That so long as the Army continued in the Tritchenopoly Country, Mr. Wynch be allowed five fanams a Day for victualling each Man.

Monthly accotts. Read Vizt. Mint.

Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master reads that account for last Month Ballance remaining in the Mint Three hundred & Thirty seven Thousand two hundred & forty Madrass Rupees (M.Rs. 337240). Three hundred & forty Thousand two hundred & nine Arcot Rupees, fourteen anaes (A Rs. 340209. 14) which is carried forward due from the Mint, Thirty three thousand two hundred & fourteen Madrass Pagodas (Mss. Pags. 33214) and seventy seven thousand six hundred & fifty five Current Pagodas, Thirteen fanams and fifty five Cash (Ct. Ps. 77655. 13. 55) of which two hundred & fourteen (214) Madrass Pags. are now paid into Cash.

Export Warehouse.

Charles Boddam Export Warehousekeeper reads that account for last Month, Ballance due from him, One thousand four hundred & thirty Pagodas, Seventeen Fanams and Fifty seven Cash (1430. 17. 57) which is carried forward.

Paymaster.

Charles Boddam Paymaster, reads that account for last Month Vizt:

	Pags.		
Charges Garrison	292	—	68
Hospital Charges	213	—	70
Peons and Servants Wages	414	22	—
Charges General	63	19	7
Charges Extraordinary	358	27	28
Repairs	429	9	56
Fortifications	1455	10	40
Materials Supplied Mr. John Brohier for the use of Fortifications & Repairs	3010	9	17
Poonamallee & Ca. Villages	124	25	60
St. Thome & Ca. Villages	27	13	20
Expedition to Negraiss	43	27	—
Charges Cattle	66	24	—
Charges Diet	583	12	—
	7082	21	46

Ballance due from him One hundred and twenty Nine Pagodas Thirteen Fanams & thirty one Cash which is carried forward.

The Particulars of the Extraordinary Charges in the Paymasters account are enter'd hereafter.

Sea Customer.

Henry Powney Sea Customer reads that account for last Month; Ballance due from him, Thirteen Thousand five hundred and forty one Pagodas Thirty two Fanams & sixty four Cash (13,541. 32. 64) which is carried forward.

Import Warehouse.

Henry Powney Import Wareho.kr. reads that Account for last Month, Ballance due from him Eighteen thousand five hundred & seventy seven Pagodas, Thirty two fanams & fifty Cash (18,577. 32. 50) which is carried forward.

Storekeeper.

Alexander Wynch storekeeper reads that account for Last Month, Ballance due from him Five thousand and Ninety five Pags; Thirty one Fanams and Eleven Cash, (5095. 31. 11) which is carried forward.

Military Storekeepr.

Alexander Wynch Military storekeeper reads that account for last Month Ballance due from him One hundred & forty six Pagodas twenty five fanams & two Cash (146. 25. 2) which is carried forward.

Land Customer.

John Smith Land Customer reads that Account for last Month, Ballance due from him, Eight hundred & forty Nine Pagodas five fanams and Eighteen Cash (849. 5. 18) which he now pays in.

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John Smith Military Paymaster reads that account for last Month, Balance due from him, Three thousand, Three hundred & sixty three Pagodas, Thirty three Fanams & fifty Eight Cash (3363. 33. 58) which is carried forward. Military Paymr.

The Accountant reads the Journal Parcels for May. Journal Parcels.

The Accountant reads an Abstract of the foregoing Monthly accounts in which is assign'd the Reason of the Encrease or Decrease of the several Charges therein respectively. Monthly abstract.

Henry Powney Import Warehousekr. pays into Cash two thousand seven hundred and two Pagodas twenty five Fanams & twenty three Cash (2702. 25. 23) on account of Rupees sold. Money paid in Vizt: for Rupees sold.

Linga Chittee & Kellava Chittee Beetle & Tobacco Farmers pays into Cash One thousand three hundred & thirty three Pags. twelve Fanams (1333. 12) for two Months Rent due on that Cowle the first Instant. Beetle & Tobacco Farm.

Pitloor Vencaty Kistnah and Kellava Chittee Farmers of the Arrack & Wine License pay into Cash, six hundred & sixty six Pagodas twenty four fanams, (666. 24) for two Months Rent due on that Cowle the 1st. Instant. Arrack & Wine License.

AGREED that Eleven thousand six hundred & twenty one Pagodas, twenty two Fanams & thirty Cash, (11621. 22. 30) be advanced the Commissary to defray the charges of the Troops abroad. Advance to the Commissary &

AND Fifteen hundred (1500) Pagodas to the Military storekeeper for the charges of that Employ. Military storekr.

THOS. SAUNDERS.
CHAS. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR. WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CHS. BOURCHIER.

EXTRAORDINARY EXPENCES in the Paymasters accounts are in the following Particulars June 30th. 1753.

Charges Garrison—						
Oil, Deficiency in the Price more than last Month ..	6	13	55			
Watering the Garrison, for the Oxen bought .	18	12	26			
Particular Persons, Willm. Stewart Surgeon's Mate.	15	—	—			
Potts, Pans, Sweeper & for the Burial of a Pensioner more than last Month.	3	17	48			
				43	7	49
Charges Extraordinary				358	27	28
Repairs				429	9	56
Fortifications				1455	10	40
Materials Supplied Mr. Brohier for the use of Fortifications & Repairs.				3010	9	17
Poonamalee & ca : Villages				124	25	60
Sr: Thome & c ; Villages				27	13	20
Expedition to the Negrais				43	27	—
Charges Cattle				66	24	—
Charges Diet				583	12	—
Pagodas ..				6142	22	30

ERRORS EXCEPTED.

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To the Honble Thomas Saunders Esqr.
Presidt. & Govr. &ca. Council of Fort St: George

Honble Sir & Sirs

Mr. Secretary Bourchier has inform'd me of my being appointed one of a Commission for proceeding to the West Coast to supervise the Company's affairs there, I beg your Honour &ca. to be persuaded of my Readyness at all times to execute Your Commands, and that it is with great concern I am now under the Necessity of excusing myself from this Charge. My constitution, impair'd as it has been by a series of Illness will not allow me to undertake it, and as I am in great Measure confin'd to a particular Regimen of Exercise & Diet, an Interruption in either must be a great Prejudice to my Health; besides, might I judge from the Effects which the Rainy season here has on me, I cannot but apprehend the worst of Consequences, in so moist a soil as that of Sumatra. As there are other Gentlemen in the Service who do not labour under these Infirmities & who would undoubtedly be desirous of his Honour of such an Appointment, I flatter myself You will easily admit of my Excuse. I am with great Respect

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient &
most humble servant,
John Walsh.

Fort St: George.
26th July 1753.

31 Sent by Tappies Genl. Letter to Fort St. David dated this Day.

— Sign'd Dispatches to Captn. Willm. Webber of the Harcourt, also Genl. Letter to Messrs. Walker and Mackel Supra Cargo's dated this day.

— Receiv'd by Tappies Genl. Letter from Fort St. David dated 28th. Instant.

Augusu 1st. Sail'd the Honble Company's ship Harcourt Captn. Willm. Webber for Canton.

At a Consultation

Present

Thurs-day the 2d. Thomas Saunders Esqr. Govr. Presidt.
Chas. Boddam. Henry Powney.
Alexr. Wynch. John Smith.
Charles Bourchier.

The Book of standing Orders lying on the Table.

Last Consultation read and sign'd.

The Board meet to swear the Mayor & Aldermen. The President acquaints them of the arrival of his Majesty's Charter &ca. The Board being met pursuant to a Resolution of last Consultation to administer the Oaths requir'd by the Charter to the Mayor and Aldermen, and Messrs. William Perceval, John Walsh, Andrew Monro, Edward Edwards, Richard Fairfield & John Smith having been summon'd for that Purpose, and attending they were call'd in and the President acquainted them, that his Majesty had been graciously pleas'd by his Letters Patent to Grant, Establish & Ordain that there should for ever be within the Town of Madrasspatnam, One Body Politick or Corporate by the Name of the Mayor & Aldermen of Madraspatnam to consist of a Mayor & Nine Aldermen & had in his Royal Grant appointed several Persons to be first and Modern Mayor and aldermen some of whom (to wit the Mayor & four of the Aldermen) by their having left India or being otherwise absent were disqualified, but that his Majesty foreseeing this might probably happen, had granted a Power to the President and Council to fill up any such vacancy's out of the principal Inhabitants That in consequence thereof they had appointed Mr. Willm. Perceval (one of the Aldermen named in the Charter) to be the first and Modern Mayor and Messrs.

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Andrew Munro, Edward Edwards Richard Fairfield, John Browning and John Smith to fill up the vacancy's occasion'd by such Disqualification.

The President then administred the Oath of Allegiance and the Oath of Office first to Mr. William Perceval the Mayor, & then to Messrs. John Walsh, Andrew Munro, Edward Edwards, Richard Fairfield and John Smith who severally took the same upon the Holy Evangelists in the words following, Vizt. The Mayor and Aldermen sworn.

THE OATH OF ALLEGIANCE.

"I . . . (The Person swearing repeating his own Name) do sincerely Prmise and swear that I will be faithful & bear true allegiance to his Majesty King George the Second.

SO HELP ME GOD.

THE OATH OF OFFICE.

YOU shall swear that you shall well & truely serve our sovereign Lord the King in the Office of Mayor, (In swearing the Aldermen the word Mayor was omitted, & the word Aldermen Substituted) of the Town or Factory of Madraspatnam, And Shall duely Execute the Office of one of the Judges of the Mayors Court there, and shall do Right to all Manner of People, Poor & Rich, without Fear or Favour according to the best of Your knowledge.

SO HELP YOU GOD.

THE President then deliver'd to the said Mayor and Aldermen the Exemplification of his Majesty's Charter, together with a Copy thereof and a Book of Instructions for Carrying the same into Execution, also an Order of the Honourable Court of Directors dated the 24th. Janry 1753. directing the Mayors Court to give Costs to the Defendant where the Matter sued for shall not exceed five Pagodas & they withdrew. The Exemplicatn. of the Charter & other Books deliver'd the Mayor & Aldermen.

N. 126. Genl. Letter from the Deputy Govr. & Council of Fort St. David dated the 28th. Ulto. read, serving only to enclose Copy's of two Letters from the superiour of the Jesuits at Pondicherry one to them, & the other to Padre Severini in Relation to the Money due from the Company to the China Jesuits. Genl. Letter from Fort St. David read.

The Board having in consultation the 9th. October last, RESOLV'D in Regard to an abatement made on the fine Goods, that if the Merchants would not agree to it, it would be proper to introduce a new set, and altho' they were prevail'd on to admit of the Deduction then proposed, yet the Reluctance they shew'd gave but little Reason to hope for any material Amendment from them, it was therefore thought adviseable to sound the other Merchants (tho' in the most distant & cautious Manner to prevent Combinations) and if it appear'd practicable, to introduce some of the most substantial into that Branch, In Consequence of which the President now acquaints the Board that he had at different times discoursed with the Merchants, on that subject and that Tellasinga Chittee shew'd an Inclination to undertake a Part of the Investment of Fine Goods at an abatement of 5 ℘ Cent and thereupon he had order'd him and the Merchants before engaged to attend this Day. Linga Chittee, the principal Person heretofore concern'd in that Branch being then Call'd in, was acquainted that the Board being sensible the Company's Investment of fine Goods might be procured upon more moderate terms than he demanded were determined to try another set of Merchants unless he would undertake it at an abatement of 5 ℘ Cent, and keep up to muster, but he absolutely refusing to admitt of any abatement was order'd to withdraw, and Tellasinga Chittee being then call'd in, the Offer was made him of managing that Branch on the aforemention'd Terms, to which he replied that however willing he might be to Proceedings in the Investment of Fine goods.

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undertake so valuable a Part of the Company's Investment, he could not venture to do it of himself without the consent of the other Merchants as it might be greatly in their Power to prejudice him, and the supplanting them in this Branch would certainly be a very great Incitement to them to do so, he was thereupon ask'd whether, he would undertake it in Conjunction with any other substantial Merchants, and whether he could recommend any such, to which he replied that he thought Gundaveddy Vencata Ramah a very proper Person & he would willingly accept the Contract with him; he was then order'd to withdraw, and Gundaveddy Vencata Ramah being sent for was acquainted with Tellasinga's Proposal and requir'd to declare whether he would acquiesce to it,

Tellasinga Chittee & Gundaveddy Vencata Ramah introduced.

and on his consenting, Tellasinga was again call'd in, and told that Gunddaveddy agreed to the Terms propos'd; Tellasinga thereupon desir'd that Linga Chittee and Servanna Chittee might also be admitted into the Contract, but as Linga Chittee had before refused it, the Board shew'd an Unwillingness to consent, whereupon he desired Leave to discourse with Linga & Servanna which being allowed, he returned, and acquainted the Board that he, Linga, & Servannah exclusive of Gundaveddy were willing to undertake the whole at an abatement of 5 ℔ Cent, but Gundaveddy having been sent for on the Recommendation of Tellasinga, and the Proposal made to him the Board insisted that he should be admitted into the Contract, and that each should have a fourth Part, to which all the Party's at last consenting, a List of the Goods to be provided was deliver'd them (as enter'd hereafter) and they were order'd to proceed with the greatest Dispatch in the Execution of their undertaking.

They in conjunction with Linga Chittee & Servana Chittee undertake it at an abatement of 5 ℔ Cent.

Import warehouse Accott. Deficiencies ℔ Harcourt read.

The Import Warehousekeeper delivers in as enter'd hereafter, an account of Goods damaged & deficient ℔ ship Harcourt amounting to £ 119. 7. 8 or two hundred and Ninety Eight Pagodas, sixteen fanams and forty Cash (298. 16. 40) which he acquaints the Board he has receiv'd of Captn. Webber and debited himself in account for the same.

Storehouse accott. Deficiencies ℔ Harcourt read.

The storekeeper delivers in, as enter'd hereafter an account of stores deficient ℔ ship Harcourt amounting to £ 42. 3. $-\frac{1}{2}$ or one hundred & five Pagodas thirteen fanams and fifty five Cash (105. 13. 55) which he acquaints the Board he has receiv'd of Captn. Webber & debited himself in account for the same.

Treasure ℔ Falmouth Egmont & Elizabeth reported right.

The Committee of Treasury report that they had examin'd & weigh'd the Treasure imported in ships Falmouth, Egmont, and Elizabeth, and that it turned out agreeable to the respective Invoices.

Advances made out of Cash vizt.

AGREED that the following advances be made out of Cash Vizt.

To the Military Paymaster & Paymaster.

To the Military Paymaster to pay the Military two thousand (2000) Pagodas, AND

To the Paymaster for the Disbursements of that Employ, seven thousand two hundred & seventy Pagodas, Nine fanams, & fifty nine Cash (7270. 9. 59).

To the Merchants for fine Goods.

To Linga Chittee, Servanna Chittee, Tellasinga Chittee & Gundaveddy Vencata Ramah Chittee, Twenty thousand Pagodas (20,000) for the Provision of fine Goods.

THOS. SAUNDERS.
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ACCOUNT of Goods damaged & deficient ℔ ship Harcourt.

Broad Cloth scarlet fine damaged			1 ps.	£.	11	9	—
Do.	scarlet	do.	1 ps.		7	8	9
Do.	Blue fine	do.	1 ps.		5	17	—
Do.	Aurora	do.	5 ps.		33	16	3
Do.	Green Ordinary	do.	3 ps.		14	8	9
Do.	Blue Do.	do.	1 ps.		5	8	3
	℔	qr.	lb.				
Copper 7 Plates pz.	2	—	14		12	19	6
				£.	91	7	6
Europe Charges ½ ℔ Cent					—	9	2
				£.	91	16	8
Advance 30 ℔ Cent					27	11	—
				£.	119	7	8 @ 8sh. ℔ Paga. 298 16 40

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HENRY POWNEY,
Import W.H.Kr.

ACCOUNT of Deficiency & the short Delivery ℔ ship Harcourt vizt :

		℔	qr.	lb.				
Iron Bars. 11	Wt.	23	2	27	£.	21	13	—
Rod		3	3	27		4	—	3
Sheet Lead			1	18		—	8	3
Tar ½ Barrell						—	11	—
Sea coals 121 Bushells						5	16	—
					£.	32	8	6
Advance 30 ℔ Cent						9	14	6½
					£.	42	3	½ @ 8 Shs. ℔ Pags. 105 13 55

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ALEXR: WYNCH.
Stk.

LIST OF FINE GOODS to be provided by Survannah Chitty, Linga Chitty, Tellasinga Chitty, and Vencata Ramah Chitty Vizt:

	Quantity.	Length.	Breadth.					Pags.	Fans.	Cash.	
Bettelas Oringal Fine	1500	32 Covs.	2 Covs.	No.	1	@		57	—	—	₱ Corge.
Do.		32 Covs.	2 Covs.	N.	2	@		52	9	—	Do.
Betteelas Pullicat	1000	32 Covs.	2 Covs.	N.	1	@		93	3	48	Do.
Do.		32 Covs.	2 Covs.	N.	2	@		83	21	48	Do.
Betteelas Pullicat	400	32 Covs.	3 Covs.	N.	1	@		142	18	—	do.
Do.		32 Covs.	3 Covs.	N.	2	@		133	—	—	do.
Betteelas Pullicat	100	32 Covs.	4 Covs.	N.	1	@		247	—	—	do.
Do.		32 Covs.	4 Covs.	N.	2	@		228	—	—	do.
Cambrick thin	600	8 Yds.	$1\frac{3}{4}$ Covs.	N.	1	@		95	—	—	do.
Do.		8 yards	$1\frac{3}{4}$ Covs.	N.	2	@		85	18	—	do.
Chints Moorees Fine	1500	26 Covs.	1 Yd. 8 In.	N.	1	@		52	9	—	do.
Do.		26 Covs.	1 Yd. 8 In.	N.	2	@		49	14	32	do.
Chints Moorees Ordinary	2000	14 Yards	1 Yard	N.	1	@		26	21	48	do.
Do.		14 Yards	1 Yard	N.	2	@		24	25	16	do.
Lampass Moorees	400	15 Covs.	$2\frac{1}{2}$ Covs.	N.	1	@		33	9	—	do.
Do.		15 Covs.	$2\frac{1}{2}$ Covs.	N.	2	@		31	12	48	do.
Long Cloth superfine	800	72 Covs.	$2\frac{1}{4}$ Covs.	N.	1	@		114	—	—	do.
Do.		72 Covs.	$2\frac{1}{4}$ Covs.	N.	2	@		104	18	—	do.
Morees Ordinary	3000	14 Yards	1 Yard	N.	1	@		26	21	48	do.
Do.		14 Yards	1 Yard	N.	2	@		24	25	16	do.
Moorees Fine	2000	14 Yards	1 Yard	N.	1	@		49	14	32	do.
Do.		14 Yards	1 Yard	N.	2	@		45	21	48	do.
Moorees superfine	800	14 Yards	1 Yard	N.	1	@		74	3	48	do.
Do.		14 Yards	1 Yard	N.	2	@		70	10	64	do.
Ginghams Red striped with variety of stripes & about 1/3 part chequer'd in each Bale	400	$7\frac{1}{2}$ Yds.	$\frac{7}{8}$ Yd.	N.	1	@		29	16	16	do.
Do.		$7\frac{1}{2}$ Yds.	$\frac{7}{8}$ Yd.	N.	2	@		27	19	64	do.
Ginghams Blue striped with variety of stripes & about 1/3 part chequer'd in a Bale.	800	$7\frac{1}{2}$ Yds.	$\frac{7}{8}$ Yd.	N.	1	@		23	27	—	do.
Do.		$7\frac{1}{2}$ Yds.	$\frac{7}{8}$ Yd.	N.	2	@		21	30	48	do.
Alejars to be of bright red	500	8 Yards	$\frac{7}{8}$ Yd.	N.	1	@		27	2	56	do.
Do.		8 Yards	$\frac{7}{8}$ Yd.	N.	2	@		25	6	24	do.
Collowapores must be of bright Red	1000	8 Yards	$\frac{7}{8}$ Yd.	N.	1	@		27	2	56	do.
Do.		8 Yds.	$\frac{7}{8}$ Yd.	N.	2	@		25	6	24	do.
Sastracundies of a Bright Red ..	2000	8 Yds.	$\frac{7}{8}$ Yd.	N.	1	@		28	18	—	do.
Do.		8 Yds.	$\frac{7}{8}$ Yd.	N.	2	@		26	21	48	do.
Metchlepatam or Sastracundies Romall's Glaz'd ..	2000	12 Yds.	$\frac{7}{8}$ Yd.	N.	1	@		40	13	40	do.
Do. ..		12 Yds.	$\frac{7}{8}$ Yd.	N.	2	@		38	—	—	do

SURVANAH CHITTY.
SORROFF LING CHITTY.
TELLASINGA CHITTY.
VENCATA RAMAH CHITTY.

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Arriv'd ship Bombay Frigate, Henry Prittie, from Bombay. 2

D°. Sloop Catherine Elizabeth Leander da Silva from Sadrass. —

Reced by Peons Gen[l]. Letter from Ingeram dated 7[th]. Ult°. 4

Late in the Evening anchor'd in our Road, Our Honble Masters ship Winchelsea Captn. Cristopher Baron from England & Madeira last from Fort S[t]. David with a Gen[l]. Letter from the Deputy Governour & Council there dated 31[st]. ult°. also a Packet from England and another from Madeira, and Caroline Frederick Scott Esq[r]. the Company's Engineer General, Passenger. —

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THO[s]. SAUNDERS ESQ[R]. GOV[R]. PRESID[T]. SUNDAY
CHA[s]. BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY. THE 5TH.
ALEX[R]. WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

The Book of standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Packet from Our Honble Masters by the Winchelsea being open'd and agreeing with the List the General Letter therein contain'd dated 15[th]. December 1752 is perused & found to be of the same Tenour with that receiv'd by the China ships. Packet from England p Winchelsea open'd

Letter from M[r]. Secretary James dated the 1[st]. Jan[ry]. 1753 was then read Letter from Mr. Secretary James read.

And Lieutenant Colonel Caroline Frederick Scott the Companys Engineer General being present, Our Honble Masters Instructions to him as contain'd in their said Letter of the 15[th]. December, and such other Paragraphs of their Commands to Us as relate thereto were then read. Colonel Scotts Instructions read.

ORDER'D That M[r]. Brohier do lay before Col[l]. Scott the Plans of the Works, carrying on and intended at this settlement and give him all the Information & assistance that he can relating thereto. Mr. Brohier to lay before him the Plans &c[a].

ORDER'D That the same Military Honours be paid to Collonel Scott during his stay here as have been shewn to Major Lawrence. Military Honours to be paid him.

Colonel Scott acquaints the Board that he proposes immediately to set about surveying the Works, and giving such Directions in Consequence as may appear to him expedient which he imagines will not take up any considerable Time, and as he is to call at Vizagapatam where he may be detain'd a while, and he is desirous of arriving at Bengal as early as possible, he therefore requests that the Winchelsea may not be kept here any Longer than absolute Necessity requires. He desires the Winchelsea may not be detained.

ORDER'D That as soon as the consignments to this Place by the Winchelsea are landed, Captn. Baron be directed to hold himself & ship in Readyness to proceed with Colonel Scott when he shall have finished his surveys here. The Winchelsea to be got ready to proceed with him.

ORDER Signed to Captn. Baron for Delivery of the Treasure on board the Winchelsea, also the Madura Wine after the same shall have been survey'd. Order to Captain Baron for delivery Treasure &c[a].

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Order for Surveying the stowage of the Madeira Wine ℔ Winchelsea.

ORDER Sign'd to Mr. Samuel Troutback and Captain Francis Taylor to survey the stowage of the Madeira Wine on board the Winchelsea and report.

Genl. Letter from Madeira Read.

Genl. Letter from Messrs. Chambers, Hiccox & Chambers at Madeira dated 8th. Febry. 1753 read, enclosing Invoice & Bill of Lading for two hundred Pipes of Madiera Wine consign'd to this Presidency on the Winchelsea the Price of which is somewhat advanced on last years amounting in the whole to thirteen thousand and fifty one Mill, five hundred & six Reis 13051 ℔ 506.

General Letters read Vizt.

Genl. Letter from Ingeram ead.

N. 127, From Mr. Foss Westcott at Ingeram dated the 7th. Ulto. enclosing Journal Parcels & Cash account for last month & acquaints. Us that he proceeds but slowly in his Investment occasion'd by the Want of Dubbs and the apprehensions of the Weavers on Account of the Ravages committed by the Nabob & Rajah on each others Territories, and that the largest quantity of cloth both white and brown, we may expect from him by the last of this Month will not exceed two hundred Bales, having been obliged to reject great Quantities of Cloth on account of the Badness of the Manufactures.

Genl. Letter from Fort St. David read.

N. 128, From the Deputy Governour & Council of Fort St. David dated the 31st. Ulto. acquainting us that during Colonel Scotts stay there They paid him all due Honours, and that he approves of the Works. That they have landed from the Winchelsea Fifty Pipes of Madeira Wine, 30 Barrells of Gun Powder, and 300 Piggs of Lead, and that Captain Baron landed there for his own account six Pipes of Madeira, That they have receiv'd our Letters of the 19th. and 26th. Ulto. in answer whereto They assign several Reasons in Justification of their Conduct in Regard to the Syren sloop, and explain and insist on their, former argument in Relation to Cawn Moodelair, That the Portfield is return'd from DeveCotah where she landed the Detachment that they are taking some Iron & Gunpowder out of her & shall then dispatch her to Us.

Gen. Letter from Anjengo read.

N. 129, From George Scott, Esqr. Chief &ca. Factors at Anjengo dated 10th. July 1753 acknowledging the Receipt of our Letter of the 10th. June and acquainting us that They have at present no Prospect of being able to provide more Tonnage than for one ship which they expect from Bombay, but if it should turn out better, They will advise us.

The Board to meet to Morrow to chuse Commissioners of the Court of Requests.

RESOLV'D That this Board do meet to Morrow Morning at ten of the Clock in the Forenoon to nominate proper Persons to be Commissioners for the Court of Requests.

THOS. SAUNDERS.
CHAS. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR. WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CHS. BOURCHIER.

AT A CONSULTATION
Present

MONDAY THE 6TH.

THOS. SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVR. PRESIDT.
CHAS. BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXR. WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

The Book of standing Orders lying on the Table.

The two last Consultations read and sign'd.

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Agreeable to Resolution in Consultation Yesterday, The President and the several Members of the Council whose Names are abovemention'd being assembled in Order to Nominate & appoint proper Persons to be Commissioners for hearing and determining suits in the Court of Requests pursuant to the Directions in his Majesty's Charter for that Purpose and the Orders of the Court of Directors, The President first propos'd to the Consideration of the Board, what Number it would be proper to appoint as a Discretionary Power is given of chusing any Number not less than Eight, nor more than 24 and after some time spent therein, It was unanimously RESOLV'D That no more than Eight Commissioners be now appointed as the Charter directs that half of the Number are to go out of their Office in Dec^{r}. and as many others are to be chosen in their stead, and there being at present but few of the Inhabitants qualified for such a Charge some Difficulties might arise in supplying the Vacant Places were the Number of the Commissioners enlarged.

The Board meet to choose Commissioners of the Court of Requests.

Resolv'd to chuse only Eight.

AND the following Eight Gentlemen being thereupon proposed as Persons properly qualified to take upon them that Charge Viz^{t}.

Commissioners propos'd & appointed.

HUGH NORRIS
HENRY VANSITTART
CHARLES TURNER
JAMES ALEXANDER
CHARLES SIMPSON
JAMES BOURCHIER
JAMES MUNRO
FRANCIS TAYLOR

RESOLV'D That they be appointed, and they are accordingly hereby appointed to be Commissioners of & for the Court of Requests for the Town of Madrasspatnam, and the Factory's & Districts thereof to hear and determine in a summary way such suits as shall be brought before them, where the Debt Duty or Matter in Dispute shall not exceed or be more than the value of five Pagodas pursuant to his Majesty's Royal Charter and subject to such Rules, Orders & Regulations as shall from time to time be given or sent them under the Hands of Thirteen or more of the Court of Directors.

AND to the End the said Commiss^{rs}. may have due Notice of this our Appointment and may be prepared to take upon them the Execution of the said office respectively, an Instrument or Writing purporting such Appointment is now signed, Copy whereof is enter'd after the Minutes of this Consultation.

Instrument of appointment sign'd.

ORDER'D That the said writing or Instrument of Appointment together with the Rules Orders and Regulations under the hands of the Court of Directors or the Major Part of them dated the 24th. January 1753, thereunto annexed be deliver'd to the said Commissioners together with a Letter from the Secretary summoning and requiring them to attend this Board on Monday next the 13th. Instant in Order to take the Oath directed to be taken previous to their acting as Commissioners and to transact other necessary Affairs relating to the said Court of Requests.

to be deliverd the Commissioners with the Company's Order & a summons to attend next Monday to be sworn.

ORDER'D that Gen^{l}. Letters be prepar'd to the Chief and Factors of Tellicherry and Anjengo acknowledging the Receipt of their several Letters, acquainting them that we have forwarded their Packets to Bombay & advising them of the Arrival & Departure of our Honble Masters shipping.

Genl. Letters to Tellicherry & Anjengo to be prepared.

The Coining of the Treasure receiv'd from Europe to be forwarded to Bengal having so entirely engross'd the Mint as to prevent the Coining of the Dubbs resolved in Consultation the 2^{d}. July to be prepar'd for the Northern Settlements, and as the Mint here is likely to be engaged a considerable while longer, and in the mean time the Investments to the Northward are suffering for want of Copper Money, 'tis RESOLV'D that sixty Candy of copper be sent to

Copper to be sent to Vizagagatam to be com'd into Dubl^{s}.

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Vizagapatam on the Winchelsea, and that the Gentlemen there be directed to get it coined and supply Mr. Westcott at Ingeram and Mr. Andrews at Bandermalanka with a due Proportion of Dubbs.

Wine & arrack to be sent by a country vessell to Mr. Hunter & a Letter wrote him.

A Country vessell being shortly bound from hence to Pegue, RESOLVED That two Pipes of Madeira Wine and four Leaguers of arrack be sent to Mr. Hunter for the use of himself & others with him on the Expedition to the Negrais and that a Genl. Letter be prepared to advise thereof & of other Occurrences relating to him since he left this Place.

The Lead landed at St. David out of the Winchelsea to be replaced here for the Bay.

The Lead landed at Fort St. David out of the Winchelsea being consign'd to the Bay, ORDER'D That it be replaced by a like Quantity here.

Three pounder Guns, shot & small arms to be sent to St. David.

The President lays before the Board a Letter from Mr. Starke to him desiring a supply of some Three pounder Iron Guns, AGREED That three three-Pounder Guns and a Proportion of the shot in Garrison also five hundred stand of Arms be sent to Fort St. David, by the first safe Conveyance.

Letter & Request of Padres Severini & Bernard.

LETTER from Padres Severini and Bernard read Representing first that having no salary allowed for their subsistance the Company used to give them every year as a Charity, One Garse of Paddy and four pieces of Cloth for Cloaths. Secondly That the Company having taken from them their church & Habitations in Madrass, They and the Christians are left without any church or the Means of building one, and thirdly that one of their collegues a Piedmontese by Nation who resided here during the war having left them, and they being Old, & incapable of attending punctually to their Duty they Request our favourable Consideration of the first two Articles and in Regard to the Latter that they may be permitted to recall their Collegue.

Granted in part.

RESOLV'D That they be allowed the Garse of Paddy and the four Pieces of Cloth as was Customary before the Loss of Madrass, but in Regard to their Church and Collegue That they be acquainted we can give them no Answer or Redress without particular Directions from our Honble Employers.

Report survey of the stowage of Madeira Wine in Winchelsea.

A Report survey of the stowage of the Madeira Wine on board the Winchelsea is now read whereby it appears to be properly done, ORDER'D that the said Report be enter'd hereafter.

Surgeons of the Falmouth & Egmont Petition for Head Money.

The Petitions of James Porterfield Surgeon of the Falmouth, and Henry Andrews Surgeon of the Egmont read as enter'd hereafter, respectively praying to be allowed the usual Head Money on the Military Recruits deliver'd here from those ships Vizt. 47 from the former and 54 from the latter, ORDER'D That the Military Paymaster do discharge the same if on Enquiry he finds no cause of Complaint.

Cash accott. read.

The President reads the Cash account for last Month, Ballance remaining compar'd with the Chest Thirty three thousand six hundred & seventeen Current Pagodas, thirty two fanams and Nine Cash (33,617. 32. 9) and five hundred and twenty (520) Madrass Pagodas which is carried forward.

Treasury Accounts read.

THE Treasury accounts for last Month are also read as enter'd hereafter the several Ballances whereof being compared & found right are as follow Vizt: silver twenty chests poize five thousand, Eight hundred and thirteen lb. oz. Pags. Pounds four Ounces (Pz. 5813. 4) Current Pagodas, five thousand (5,000) Arcot Rupees Fifty two thousand, four hundred & twenty six, twelve anaes and seven Pice (At. Rs. 52426. 12. 7) and Madrass Rupees One hundred and seventy Mss. Rs. Three thousand five hundred and forty four (173544) which are carried forward

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The Sea Customer pays into Cash the sum of Two thousand 2000 Pagodas on his Running account. Money paid in by the Sea Customer.

THOS: SAUNDERS.
CHAS: BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR: WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CHS: BOURCHIER.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST: GEORGE.

THE HUMBLE PETITION OF JAMES PORTERFIELD

SHEWETH

That Your Petitioner is Surgeon of the Honble Company's ship Falmouth Captn. Thos. Field on which the Honble Company having thought proper to send some Recruits Your Petitioner therefore humbly desires He may be allow'd what has been usual for his care of Forty seven deliver'd ashore here.

AND Your Petitioner &ca.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST: GEORGE.

THE HUMBLE PETITION OF HENRY ANDREWS SURGEON

SHEWETH

That Your petitioner having had the Care of Fifty four soldiers deliver'd on shore here from the Egmont Captain Thomas Tolson prays your Honour &ca. will be pleas'd to order him to be paid the usual Head Money allowed by the Honble Company.

AND Your Petitioner &ca

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Dr. The Honble United Companys Cash

1	To Ballance brought from Last Month's Account. Pags.	43747	33	15
2	To Henry Powney Import Warehousekeeper receiv'd of him on account of Rupees sold ..	4324	11	54
10	To Henry Powney Sea Customer receiv'd of him on his Running account	1000	—	—
16	To Alexander Wynch Storekeeper receiv'd of him on his Running account	3000	—	—
—	To Henry Powney Import Warehousekeeper receiv'd of him on account of Rupees sold ..	4324	11	54
23	To Henry Powney Sea Customer receiv'd of him further on his running Account ..	2000	—	—
—	To Henry Powney Import Warehousekeeper receiv'd of him on his running account ..	38000	—	—
—	To Alexr. Wynch Storekeeper receiv'd of him further on his running account ..	2000	—	—
30	To Henry Powney Import Warehousekeeper receiv'd of him on account of Rupees sold ..	2702	25	23
—	To Linga Chittee & Kellavah Chitty Beetle & Tobacco Farmers receiv'd two Months Rent due the 1st. Instt.	1333	12	—
—	To Pitloor Vencaty Kistnah and Kellavah Chittee Farmers of the Arrack & Wine License receiv'd two months Rent due the 1st. Instant ..	666	24	—
—	To Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master receiv'd of him in part of the Ballance of that account for last Month	214	—	—
	To John Smith Land Custcmer receiv'd of him the Ballance of that account for last Month ..	849	5	18
	Carried over ..	104162	15	4

℔ Contra. C.

2	By Charles Boddam Paymaster advanced him for Disbursements .. .. Pags.	7270	9	59
—	By John Smith Military Paymaster advanced him to pay the Military	4081	2	74
—	By Alexr. Wynch Commissary advanc'd him to defray the Expences of the Troops abroad	2702	25	23
6	By Coja Sultan David paid his son (Coja Shawmee Sultan) in full of the Principal and Interest due on the late President & Council's Bond to him dated the 19th. June 1745 Prinl. Pags. .. 15000 — —			
	Interest on Do. from the 19th. June 1746 to this day is yrs. 7. ds. 6 allowing 11 days for the Alteration in the stile .. 8420 —			
	23420 — —			
	Deduct what paid him in part of the interest the 23d. Octobr. last .. 5789 17 5			
		17630	18	75
10	By Alexr. Wynch Commissary advanced him to defray the Charges of the Troops abroad	2000	—	—
—	By Alexr. Wynch advanc'd him to pay the Tanjore Vakeel as order'd in the Extrã Occurrences this Day for a Set of Bills on the King payable to Major Lawrence	1200	—	—
	Carried over ..	34884	20	71

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THE HONBLE UNITED COMPANYS CASH—*cont.*

	Brought forward ..	104162	15	4			
	Star or Currt. Pags. ..	104162	15	4			

℔ CONTRA—*cont.*

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	Brought forward ..	34884	20	71
16	By Alexr. Wynch Commissary advanced him to defray the Charges of the Troops abroad	7324	11	54
23	By Tellasinga Chittee and Cundapah Chittee advanced him on account of the Investment	5000	—	—
—	By Gundaveddy Vencata Ramah and Nella Chittee advanc'd them on account the Investment	5000	—	—
	By Sunca Vencata Ramah and Ambeltoddy advanc'd them on account the Investment.	5000	—	—
30	By Alexr. Wynch Commissary advanced him to defray the charges of the Troops abroad	11621	22	30
30	By Madrass Pagodas for Part of the Mint June Ballance	214	—	—
	By Alexander Wynch Military storekeeper advanced him for the Charges of that Employ	1500	—	—
		70544	18	75
31	By Ballance carried to next Months Account.	33617	32	9
	Star or Currt. Pags. ..	104162	15	4

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Dr. MADRASS PAGODAS

1	To Ballance brought from last Months Account ..	306	—	—
30	To the Honble United Company's Cash for Part of the Mint June Ballance	214	—	—
		520	—	—

℔ CONTRA Cr.

31	By Ballance Carried to next Months Account ..	520	—	—

ERRORS EXCEPTED.

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TREASURY ACCOUNTS, FORT ST. GEORGE, JULY 1753.

Dr. SILVER.

1753			Chests.	lb.	oz.	ps.
July 5th.	To Bengal Presidency reced	℔ Montfort.	45	13080	—	—
12th.	To Account Current London	℔ Harcourt.	25	7266	8	—
16th.	To Bengal Presidency recd.	℔ Portfield.	45	13080	—	—
27th.	To Do. do.	℔ Falmouth.	32	9301	4	—
—	To Do. do.	℔ Fgmont.	45	13080	—	—
31	To Do. do.	℔ Elizabeth.	45	13080	—	—
		Chests.	237	lb. 68888	—	—

Cr.

			chests.	lb.	oz.	ps.
July 5	By Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master deliver'd to be coined		35	10173	4	—
14	By Do. do. ..		25	7266	8	—
16	By Do. do. ..		35	10171	8	5
—	By a Deficiency in the Portfields Treasure			1	7	5
—	By Bengal Presidency ℔ Montfort ..		10	2906	8	—
27	By Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master deliver'd to be coined ..		67	19474	8	—
31	By Do. do. ..		45	13080	—	—
			217	63074	8	—
	By Balance ..		20	5813	4	—
	Chests ..		237	lb. 68888	—	—

ERRORS EXCEPTED.
℔ THOS. SAUNDERS.
CHAS. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.

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GOLD.

Dr.		chests.	oz.	dwt.	gr.	Cr.		Chests	oz.	dwt.	gr.
1753											
July 12th.	To Acco[tt]. Curr[tt]. London reced ℔ Harcourt	1	3600	—	—	July 14	By Thomas Saunders Esq[r]. Mint Master deliver'd to be coined ..	1	3600	—	—
27	To Do. do. reced ℔ Falmouth	1	3097	17	6	27	By Do. do. ..	1	3097	17	6
	Chests.	2	oz 6697	17	6		Chests ..	2	oz 6697	17	6

ERRORS EXCEPTED.
℔ THO[s]. SAUNDERS.
CHA[s]. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.

MADRASS PAGODAS.

Dr.				Cr.					
1753				1753					
July 1	To Thomas Saunders Esq[r]. receiv'd of him ..	7000	— —	July 27	By Vizagapatam Factory sent thither ℔ Sloop Syren	10,000	— —
3d.	To Do. do. ..	10,000	— —		By Ingeram Factory ℔ Do. ..	15000	— —
5	To Do. do. ..	7000	— —		By Madepollam Factory Do. ℔ do. ..	15000	— —
6	To Do. do. ..	5000	— —				
9	To Do. do. ..	9000	— —				
10th.	To Do. do. ..	2000	— —				
		40,000	— —			40,000	— —

ERRORS EXCEPTED.
℔ THO[s]. SAUNDERS
CHA[s]. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.

CURRENT PAGODAS.

Dr.				Cr.			
1753				1753			
July 1	To Thomas Saunders Esq[r]. Mint Master reced. of him	7000	— —	July 19	By the Honble Company's Cash paid in ..	38000	— —
12	To Do. do. ..	2000	— —	31	By Ballance	5000	— —
15	To Do. do. ..	5000	— —				
18	To Do. do. ..	9000	— —				
22	To Do. do. ..	5000	— —				
25	To Do. do. ..	10,000	— —				
31	To Do. do. ..	5000	— —				
		43,000	— —			43,000	— —

ERRORS EXCEPTED
℔ THO[s]. SAUNDERS.
CHA[s]. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.

Treasury Accounts, Fort St. George, July 1753

Arcot Rupees.

Dr.					Cr.			
1753					1753			
July 1st.	To Ballance brought from last month ..	74426	12	7	July 2d.	By Import Wareh°.kr. deliver'd him for sale	16000	— —
5	To Thos. Saunders Esqr. Mint master receiv'd of him	160,000	—	—	16	By Bengal Presidency ℔ ship Montfort.	160,000	— —
26th	To Do. do.	120,000	—	—	19	By Import Wareh°.kr. deliver'd him for sale	16000	— —
					27	By Vizagapatam Factory ℔ sloop Syren.	100,000	— —
					30	By Import Wareh°.kr. deliver'd him for sale	10,000	— —
							302,000	— —
					31	By Ballance	52,426	12 7
		354,426	12	7			354,426	12 7

Errors Excepted
℔ Thos. Saunders.
Chas. Boddam.
Henry Powney.

Madrass Rupees

Dr.					Cr.			
1753					1753.			
July 1	To Ballance brought from last Month ..	93544	—	—	July 16th.	By Bengal Presidency ℔ ship Montfort ..	160000	— —
14	To Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master reced of him	80,000	—	—		By Ballance	173544	— —
26	To Do. do. ..	160,000	—	—			333544	— —
		333544	—	—				

Errors Excepted
℔ Thos. Saunders.
Chas. Boddam.
Henry Powney.

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WHEREAS His Majesty King George the Second, by Letters Patent under the Great seal of Great Britain, bearing Date at Westminister the Eight Day of January in the twenty sixth year of his Reign did for himself, his Heirs & Successors Give and Grant to the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies and their Successors, and did thereby direct and appoint that there should be for ever within the Town of Madrasspatnam a Court which should be called the Court of Requests for the Town of Madrasspatnam and the Factory's and Districts thereof, and for that Purpose did thereby will and require the Governour or President and Council of Madrasspatnam aforesaid as soon as conveniently might be after the arrival of his Majesty's said Letters patent or Charter to nominate and appoint some of the Principal Inhabitants of Madrasspatnam aforesaid not more than 24 nor fewer than Eight to be Commissioners to hear and determine in a summary way such suits as should be brought before them; where the Debt, Duty or Matter in Dispute should not exceed or be more than the value of five Pagodas under such Rules Orders and Regulations as should from time to time be given or sent to them under the Hands of Thirteen or more of the Court of Directors of the said Company which Commissioners so to be appointed are to continue in their Office untill the first Thursday in December next at which time they are to assemble and chuse others in the Manner as in and by the said Letters Patent is express'd and required, Now THEREFORE WE the Governour or President & Council at Madraspatnam in Obedience to his Majesty's will and by virtue and in Pursuance of the Power and authority to Us in that Behalf given in, and by his Majesty's said Letters Patent Have Nominated and appointed, and by these Presents Do Nominate and appoint Hugh Norris, Henry Vansittart, Charles Turner, James Alexander, Charles Simpson, James Bourchier, James Munro, and Francis Taylor to be Commissioners of the said Court of Requests for the Town of Madrasspatnam and the Factory's and Districts thereof to hear and determine in a summary Way such suits as shall be brought before them, where the Debt Duty or Matter in Dispute shall not exceed or be more than the value of Five Pagodas in conformity to the Directions in his Majesty's said Charter, and to the Rules, Orders, and Regulations, (hereunto annex'd) under the Hands of the Majority of the Court of Directors of the said United Company or such other Rules Orders or Regulations as shall from time to time be given or sent to them under the Hands of Thirteen or more of the said Court of Directors, and to do, perform and execute all other Matters and things whatsoever which in and by his Majesty's said Letters Patent are directed and required. IN WITNESS whereof we have hereunto set our Hands at Fort S^{t}. George the 6th. Aug^{t}. 1753.

THO^{S}: SAUNDERS.
CHA^{S}. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
ALEX^{R}. WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CHA^{S}. BOURCHEIR.

TO THE HONBLE THO^{S}. SAUNDERS ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}: GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS,

In Obedience to Your Orders communicated to us by your Secretary, We have been on board the Winchelsea to survey the stowage of the Honble Company's Madeira Wine and are to acquaint your Honour &c^{a}. that we found it stowed in good Order, Bung up, Bulge Free and well chock'd up.

We are
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient Humble Servants
FRA^{S}. TAYLOR.
SAMUEL TROUTBACK.

FORT S^{T}: GEORGE
6TH. AUGUST 1753.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR: GOVR: PRESIDT:
CHAS: BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXR: WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.
CHAS: BOURCHEIR.

THURSDAY THE 9TH.

Proceedings & Debates upon a Complaint lodged by the Seamen of the Falmouth agt. the third Mate.

THE President acquaints the Board He had summon'd them upon an affair that appear'd to be of some consequence for their Opinions which was as follows That the seamen of the Falmouth or the Major Part of them having seiz'd some Mussoolah Boats that were along side the ship & come ashore in a very mutinous manner, upon enquiring into the Meaning of it, He receiv'd from them a Petition without any Name to it, (which is now laid before the Board & enter'd hereafter) setting forth their Inducement to such a Behaviour was entirely owing to the severity they had receiv'd from one Mr. Bromfield the third Mate, who not only treated many of them in a very cruel Manner but had been the Death of one of their Comrades as would very evidently appear upon an Examination of the Matter which they requested, and That they might have Justice done to them. That hereupon He the President immediately sent for Captn. Field and acquainted him with the subject of their said Complaints and desired of him to know the real circumstances of the Case, Who said that what They alledged of being Illtreated by Mr. Bromfield was so far true That He had now and then imprudently (being provok'd by their Insolence which at times had been very great) to strike them, but as to being the Occasion of the Death of the Man, as they mention, it was absolutely an untruth for the Man had for a Considerable time after he receiv'd the Blow which they say was the Cause of his Death, done his Duty as well as he was capable in the Circumstances, He had always been in from the Time of his coming aboard that ship, which was being afflicted with a Rupture, and in the Opinion of his Surgeon & Mate, His Death was not at all owing to the Blow. That with regard to Mr. Bromfield He is a Person of a very good Character & so good an Officer that being with him the last voyage, He had taken him for that Reason this Voyage, and with Respect to his People They were in General a very troublesome Crew & mutinously inclin'd, for upon first Notice of their being dissatisfied, He went on board and assured them, to make them quiet, He would give orders Mr. Bromfield should never act but when he was present himself, which would prevent any such Behaviour from him again, with which they seem'd satisfied, & He gave orders to his Chief Officer on board not to let a Man stirr out of the ship and to confine the first that offer'd it, But he had not been long ashore when the People being troublesome and attempting to leave the ship, His Officer acocrdingly seiz'd one of them the most culpable with an Intent to confine him, Upon which five or six of the rest immediately rescued the Prisoner by main force from the Officer, and with the rest of their Comrades seiz'd upon the Mussoolah's along side, & came shore, which he looks upon as a very particular, Instance of Mutiny, and He thought they ought to be made Examples of, The President then observed as it was a Case of a very particular Nature, It was necessary we should proceed thereon with Caution & therefore first consider how far we were authorized to take Notice of it, The same being accordingly deliberated on, The Board were of Opinion That as the Murder, the Third Mate is accused of by the ships Company as well as the Mutiny Captn Field charges some of his Crew with, are Facts committed on the High sea's, and within the Jurisdiction of the Admiralty, They cannot come under the Cognizance of the criminal Courts constituted by his Majesty's Charter lately receiv'd Recourse being thereupon had to sundry old * Charters Commissions &ca. granted by the Crown, There was found among others a Commission bearing Date the 23d. day of March in the 5th. Year of his present Majesty's Reign directed to all Admirals, Vice Admirals, Rear Admirals, Judges of Vice Admiralty's and Commanders of any of his Majesty's ships of War then

* N.B. These wer left here by the French but it is uncertain whether

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and for the time being, and also to George Morton Pitt Esqr. President & Governour of Fort St. George, Robert Symmonds &ca. and the President & Council of the said Fort St. George for the time being empowering them to try &ca. all Pyracies & Felonys committed in or upon the Sea, or within any Haven River &ca. within the East Indies, and altho' there is great Reason to believe that his Commission is yet in force by virtue of the words President & Council for the time being notwithstanding the Loss of this settlement, yet as the sitting in Judgement on Lives of his Majestey's subjects is a matter of too much consequence to be enterd upon where the Power for doing it is subject to the least doubt, The Board are of opinion that it will be most adviseable to refer the Determination of this Affair to the Gentlemen at Bengal (who cannot be under the same uncertainty with Regard to their Powers that we are,) more especially as there are now in the Road no less than three other Europe ships whose People as is represented, are all mutinously inclined and ready to lodge complaint against their Officers, should We proceed to enquire judicially into the present accusations, The Consequence of which might be the Detention of those ships a considerable time to the manifest Prejudice of Our Honble Masters affairs, 'tis AGREED Therefore, That if Captn. Field will consent and his ships Company be satisfyed to have the third Mate sent to Bengal on another ship to have their Complaint enquired into there, that it be referr'd to the President & Council accordingly Captain Field being then sent for before the Board was made acquainted with the same & asked if He had any objections, He answer'd that He should be very ready to acquiesce therein, but thought The permitting his Officer to take Passage on another ship would be in a Manner giving up the Point to the People, who were a set of such mutinous fellows that it would be dangerous going to sea with them without some Example was made of their Ring Leaders who were about 6 or 7 That he could pick out & If they were left behind, he believ'd the ship might proceed without any Danger, upon this He was told that as the greatest Part of the Crew were concerned in the affair, We imagined the detaining those People without proceeding any further in the Matter might serve only to induce the Rest to persist in their Refusal to go in the ship with the Officer, & then it might not be in our Power to referr the Matter to the Gentlemen in Bengal, That as it appeared to us the said Officer had been in some Measure culpable (which Captn. Field said also He could not but acknowledge) and no Inconvenience as We imagin'd could happen from this being sent in another ship, We should be glad He would consent thereto; But as He did not seem very willing to do so, alledging the same Reason as before, That the People might look upon it as having gained their Point and behave so insolently, That no Command could be carried among them, It was Resolv'd to send for the other commanders for their sentiments on the Affair, and being severally call'd in, & made acquainted with the Particulars of what had passed, They were ask'd, If they did not think the Officer had behaved unbecomingly & if the Case had happen'd to either of Them, They should not have esteemed the Men entitled to some satisfaction, & whether, They imagined any Inconvenience could arise from the Officers going on another ship to Bengal, They all tho call'd in separately declared That from what They had heard of the Matter, They really thought the Officer had been guilty of too much severity which deserv'd being taken Notice of, Tho' at the same time, could not but say the Behaviour of the People in rescuing out of the Chief Mates hands The Man He had made a Prisoner for attempting to go out of the ship & afterwards leaving the ship themselves was of such a Nature, That the Persons who appeared the most forward in it deserved to be made Examples of could it be effected in such Manner that no Ill Consequences might happen from it, which from what had been represented to them by the Board They acknowledge They thought might be apprehended, and for that Reason imagined it would be most proper could it be referr'd to Bengal and the Officer proceed upon another ship, and Captn. Baron offer'd him a Passage on board the Winchelsea, Whereupon after the Commanders were withdrawn the Board came to a Resolution

there may not have been others of a later date.

Proposed to send the third Mate on another ship to Bengal & that the affair may be referr'd to the Gentlemen there.

The several Commanders of the Europe ships called in to give their sentiments thereon.

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to persuade Captn. Field to a Compliance & likewise the People which last We make no Doubt of prevailing upon, when They were certain The Mate will take his Passage on another ship.

THOS: SAUNDERS.
CHAS: BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR: WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CHS: BOURCHIER.

TO HIS EXCELLENCY THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR:

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY

THAT Your Petitioners are Natives of Great Britain and all Mariners belonging to the Falmouth, who have been extreamly ill treated by Mr. John Bromfield 3d. Mate of the ship, which deterrs your Petitioners from proceeding on the voyage, The [*sic*] being in Danger of their Lives, That your Petitioners are well convinced of a Murder committed by him on the Body of John Robinson Mariner, which will appear to your Excellency by his dying Words, and being no other way assembled, than to implore your Excellency would in the wisdom of your Consideration, be pleased to redress them of this A grievance, by bringing to Justice this Notorious Offender, and cause him to be confin'd to future Behaviour that his Majesty's subjects may return with safety.

AND in Duty bound Your Petitioner's will ever Pray.

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8 Sailed Sloop Dolphin, Valebai, for Metchlepatam & Bengal.

9 Do. Bringantine Hyderebux, Bemajee Noquedah for Pegue with General Letter to David Hunter Esqr. at the Negrais dated the 8th. Instant.

10TH. Arriv'd the Honble Company's ship Portfield, Captn. Carteret Le Geyt from Fort St. David with a Genl. Letter from the Deputy Governour & Council there dated 8th. Instant, and Mr. John Browning Passenger.

— Sent by Pattamar pursuant to Resolution in Consultation the 6th. Instant, Genl. Letter to the Chief & Factors at Tellicherry & Anjengo both dated this day.

11 Captain Le Geyt having signified that his ship is in Readiness to proceed, it was Resolved to lade Fifty Chests of Treasure, and dispatch her to the Bay, and a Genl. Letter being prepared is sign'd & dated this Day advising the President & Council of Fort William thereof, and that We have landed the 20 Barrells of Gunpowder consigned them from Europe on the Portfield, acquainting them also of the Arrival of Coll. Scott, & that he will shortly proceed to Vizagapatam & from thence to Bengal. The Dispatches to Captn. Le Geyt are also signed & dated this Day.

The Surgeon of the Portfield having represented that the Detachment transported from hence to DeveCotah in that ship had been very sickly as a Proff [*sic*] of which he produced a Certificate from Captn. Ridge & a long List of Medicines administred to them in the Passage & the same being shewn to Mr. Munro who declared his Opinion that the Care & Trouble in this Affair very well merited an hundred Rupees, The Military Paymaster was directed to pay the Surgeon that sum.

— Sailed sloop Catherine Elizabeth, Leander da Silva for Sadrass.

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Sail'd The Honble Company's ship Portfield Captn. Carteret Le Geyt, for Bengal pursuant to Order of Consultation the 30th. July, Five hundred Candays of Redwood having been laden on the Shirley for Bengal, and the said ship being in Readyness to sail, a Genl. Letter to the President & Council there dated this Day is now signed advising them thereof. 12

Sailed ship Shirley, Thomas Powney for Bengal. 13

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOS. SAUNDERS ESQR: GOVR: PRESIDT: MONDAY
CHAS: BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY. THE 13TH.
ALEXR: WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.
CHAS: BOURCHIER.

The Book of standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of last Consultation read and signed.

Pursuant to an order of Consultation of the 6th. Instant, Messrs. Hugh Norris, Henry Vansittart, Charles Turner, James Alexander, Chas. Simpson, James Bourchier, James Munro, & Francis Taylor who were then appointed Commissioners of the Court of Requests, attending the Board and being called in the following Oath, was administred to them on the Holy Evangelists which they respectively took Vizt. Commissioners of the Court of Requests called in & sworn.

" You shall swear that you will faithfully impartially & honestly to the
" best of your Judgement without Favour or Affection to either Party,
" hear and determine such Matters & things as shall be brought before
" you, as one of the Commissioners of the Court of Requests of the
" Town of Madraspatnam and the Factory's & Districts subordinate
" thereto erected by his Majesty King George the 2d. by certain Letters
" Patent under the Great Seal of Great Britain bearing Date at West-
" minister the 8th. day of Janry. in the 26th. Year of his Reign."

SO HELP YOU GOD.

THE President then recommended to them a due observance of the several Directions in his Majesty's Charter, and of the Rules, Orders and Regulations of the Honble Court of Directors and the Books of Instructions, Copy of that Part of the Charter, and of the Genl. Letter, together with other Papers, relating to the Court of Requests being deliver'd to them, they withdrew. Book of Instructions &ca deliver'd them.

RESOLV'D That Mr. Josias Du Pré be, and he is accordingly hereby appointed Clerk of the Peace & Coroner in & for the Town of Madraspatnam and in & for Fort St. George & Places subordinate thereto and he is also hereby appointed to take upon him the Employs of the Company's Sollicitor & Clerk of the Court of Appeals. Josias Du Pre appointed Clerk of the Peace & Coroner, Company's Sollicitor & Clerk of the Court of Appeals.

AND he being called in, The President administred to him the Oath of allegiance, which he took on the Holy Evangelists. & Sworn.

Pursuant to the Power and Authority given to the President & Council by a certain Writing under the Hands of the Major Part of the Court of Directors dated the 24th. Janry. 1753 to nominate & appoint a fit and proper Person to be the Accountant General of the Mayors Court of Madraspatnam; RESOLV'D That Mr. Claud Russell be, and he is accordingly hereby appointed Accountant General of the Mayors Court of Madraspatnam and he being called in The President acquainted him therewith, deliver'd to him the said Orders and Directions of the Honble Court of Directors dated 24th. Janry. 1753 Claud Russell appointed Accountt. General of the Mayors Court.

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together with the Form of Certificates Relating to the said Office and recommended to him a strict & faithful Execution of the Trust committed to his Charge.

Papers relating to the Accountt. Genl. to be delivered to the Register of the Mayors Court.

ORDER'D That the Secretary do deliver to the Register of the Mayors Court an Original of the said Orders & Directions of the Honble Court of Directors, relating to the Accountant Genl. also a copy of the Forms of Certificates &c^{a}. for Money deposited, and the Company's obligation to be answerable for the Moneys &c^{a}. of the suitors of the Mayors Court that shall be paid into their Treasury at FORT S^{T}: GEORGE.

Doubts in Regard to the appointment of Sherif.

The Board having proceeded thus far in the Nomination of the several Officers directed by the Charter and the Honble Court of Directors, some Doubts arose whether The President & Council have any Power to appoint a Sheriff for the Remainder of the Present Year, for it having been a Matter of Uncertainty whether the old Charter establishing a Mayor's and other Courts subsisted or not after the Loss of Madrass, The Appointment of a Sheriff & other officers has on that Account been omitted ever since, and as the present Charter directs that the Person who shall be Sherif at the time of the Arrival of the Charter shall continue in his Office untill another shall be duely elected and sworn, and (immediately following) That the President and Council shall yearly on the first Tuesday in December assemble themselves and proceed to the Election of a new Sherif for the Year ensuing, it seems according to the Letter of the Charter, that the President & Council's Power of choosing a Sherif does not commence untill December next, upon which it was observed that by omitting to appoint a Sherif now, The Intention of the Charter (which should take Place within Thirty Days after its Arrival) will for a time be frustrated, for the Sherif being the proper Officer to execute and make Returns of all Process the Courts without him cannot sit, for the Dispatch of Business, whereas the appointing a Sherif tho' there is not any direct Power for doing it at this Time, does not seem to Carry with it any bad Consequences as it does not oppose any express Direction of the Charter, but only supplys an evident Defect for which a Latitude seems to be left by the last Clause in the Charter when it is declared that it shall be valid according to the true Intent & Meaning & be construed and adjudged in the most favourable & beneficial sense for the best Advantage of the Company &c^{a}. notwithstanding any non Recital, Mis Recital, Defect, Incertainty or Imperfection.

Resolved to appoint one.

After Mature Deliberation on the Question put, it is unanimously RESOLVED That it is the Opinion of this Board, The President and Council not only may without incurring a forfeiture of the Charter proceed to the Election of a Sherif but that it is consistent with its Intent and Meaning they should do so.

Mr. John Browning appointed Sheriff.

And M^{r}. John Browning One of the Aldermen of the Mayors Court being proposed On the Question put it is unanimously RESOLVED That he be, & he is accordingly hereby appointed Sherif of Fort S^{t}. George, The Town of Madraspatnam and the Districts and Places subordinate thereto & continue in the said Office untill another Sherif shall be appointed pursuant to the Directions of the Charter.

Land takes the Oaths of Alderman and Sherif.

And he being called in, The President administred to him the Oath of allegiance the Oath taken by the other Aldermen as enterd in the Minutes of Consultation the 2^{d}. Instant, and the Oath of Office as Sherif in the following words.

" You shall swear that you shall well and truely serve our sovereign Lord
" the King in the Office of Sherif of Fort S^{t}. George, and the Town of
" Madraspatnam and the Factory's and Districts subordinate thereto,

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" You shall duly execute and make Returns of a Process of the res-
" pective Courts there, and shall do right to all manner of People Poor
" and Rich without fear or Favour ".

So Help You God.

Which several Oaths he took on the Holy Evangelists & then withdrew.

Letter from [Fort] St. David read.

N. 130. General Letter from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort St. David dated the 8th. Instant read, accompanying their Consultations & Monthly accounts for June together with a state of their Encrease or Decrease, Requesting a further supply of Cash for the use of their Investment, and acquainting us that they are endeavouring to employ Weavers in their Bounds. and are in Hopes by that Means of procuring a quantity of Long Cloth for the January Dispatch, That they have communicated to Cawn Moodelair &ca. what we wrote on that subject in our Letter of the 31st. Ulto. who is desirous of submitting his Affair to Arbitration, if all the Parties would chuse Arbitrators on the spot to prevent Delays That the Deputy Governour had received two Letters from Major Lawrence, expressing his apprehensions that Morarow's Design was to Cross the Coleroon & distress the Tanjore country and recommending the Protection of DeveCotah in consequence whereof the Deputy Governor would send Orders to Captn. Ridge for that purpose. That the Captain of the Bombay Frigate having offer'd to take the French Deserter[s] he wrote to us about, They had accepted the Offer and embarked them, as they were not only exp[ensive] but dangerous That they would have sent the Nabobs account before, but wait our Directions in Relation to some stores formerly issued & not brought to account, That they fo[rwarded] our Letter to Mr. Dupleix, but have no answer. That Mr. Drake labouring under a Disorder in his Liver apprehends his ill-Health [will] not permit him to undertake & Execute the Charge conferr'd on him on a Supra Vizor of [the] West Coast & therefore desires some other Person may be appointed in his Room, however [should] We insist on his Proceeding he will pre[pare] That they have landed the stores consigned [them] ℔ Portfield also twenty Barrells of Gunpowder & sixty Tons of Russia Iron for which [they have] given the Commander a Certificate & de[sire an] Invoice thereof as well as of the Madeira [wine] Requesting our complyance with the[ir indents] formerly sent.

The Secretary order'd to acquaint Mr. Walsh that the Board expect his Compliance to proceed to the West Coast.

Order'd That the Secretary [signify] to Mr. Walsh that the Board except his [com]pliance with their Appointment of [him to] proceed to the West Coast as one of the Supravizors and that he prepare accordingly.

Colonel Scott having finished his surveys here

Treasure for Bengal & Madeira Wine for Vizagapatam to be laden on the Winchelsea.

Order'd That fifty Chests of Bullion & Rupees be laden on board the Winchelsea for Bengal and Ten Pipes of Madeira Wine for the Northern Factory's.

Dispatches ℔ Winchelsea sign'd Vizt.

The following Dispatches are now signed Vizt:

To Bengal.

Genl. Letter to the President & Council of Bengal advising of the Treasure consigned to them on the Winchelsea which ship we have order'd to Vizagapatam with Colonel Scott and when he shall have finished his surveys there to proceed with him to Bengal That the Commander & Officers have landed here 20 Pipes Madeira Wine on their Indulgence.

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To Vizagapatam. To the Chief & Council of Vizagapatam, acquainting them of our Honble Masters Commands in Relation to Col[l]. Scott who proceeds to them on the Winchelsea, That we send them on the said ship sixty Candy of copper which they must get coined into Dubbs, and supply the other two Factory's, it having been impossible for us to coin them here, the Mint being fully engaged in coining the Bengal Treasure, That the Dubbs must be issued at such a Rate as that the Company may not suffer any Loss, That by the same Ship We consign them Ten Pipes Madeira Wine for themselves & other Settlements.

To Ingeram. To M[r]. Foss Westcott at Ingeram that we have receiv'd his Letter of the 7[th]. & are sorry the Troubles between the Nabob & Rajah are likely to prejudice his Investment, That we approve of his Care in taking in only such Cloth as is of a good sortment, That We have sent some copper to Vizagapatam to be coined into Dubbs out of which he is to be supplied.

Madapollam. To M[r]. John Andrews at Madapollam that he will be furnished with Dubbs from Vizagapatam, for which Purpose we have sent a Quantity of Copper with Directions to get it coined.

Captn. Baron's Dispatch. AND Dispatches to Captn. Baron Commander of the Winchelsea.

Letter supposed from the Crew of the Falmouth desiring the third Mate may be tried here. The President lays before the Board an anonymous Letter subscribed with the Letters of the Alphabet, supposed to be from the Crew of the Falmouth which is read as entered hereafter, setting forth that they have been informed their third Mate is not to go to Bengal that they cannot expect Redress there, that therefore they desire he may be brought to his Tryal here and that unless they are gratified therein They are One & all determined not to weigh an anchor or do any Duty.

Proceedings thereon. The President at the same time acquaints the Board that the said Letter was deliver'd to him by one of the Falmouth's Crew who was deputed & sent ashore by the rest for that Purpose, and that upon this Occasion juding a mild Behaviour might avail more than severity, he assur'd the Man (and desired he would acquaint his Companions) the third Mate should be sent to Bengal in the Winchelsea, and represented to him what an ungenerous Action it would be in him and his Comrades voluntarily to expose the Company's ship & Cargo to Danger on Account of the Misbehaviour of one Person. That these arguments seem'd to have the desired Effects, for the Man declared he was satisfied and believed his Companions would be so if a Letter were given them from the Board to the Gentlemen at Bengal recommending to them to enquire and do Justice in the Affair, which he (the President) promised should be done, & then dismiss'd him.

a Letter to be wrote to Bengal to be delivd. by the Falmouth's Crew. Upon which the Board are of opinion that, as for, the Reasons given in last Consultation, it would be better to avoid bringing this Affair to a regular Process here if such a Letter as is desir'd can appease the ships Company, it will be very proper to grant it and the Secretary is directed to prepare it accordingly.

Letter from Colonel Scott. The President lays before the Board a Letter from Colonel Scott which is read as enter'd hereafter, Relating to the Fortifications and Materials and desiring that he may have Leave to employ Lieut[t]. Robert Barker of the Artillery at this Place as an Engineer and that he may be exchanged against Lieut[t]. Alford who is willing to proceed to Bengal.

Answer thereto. In answer whereto a Letter being prepared is now sign'd as enter'd hereafter.

Coll. Scotts charges to be paid. AN Account of Colonel Scotts Charges at Fort S[t]. David and this Place being laid before the Board amounting to Pagodas One hundred & fifty (150).

ORDER'D that the Military Paymaster do discharge the same.

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Letter from Captain John Brohier read as entered hereafter representing that he has receiv'd no Pay as Engineer since the 31st. of May last, and that the Company having conferr'd on him the Command of a Company as a Mark of their Approbation, he does not apprehend it was their Intention to reduce his Pay as Engineer. Letter from Mr. Brohier desiring the Continuance of his Pay as Engineer.

ORDER'D That the Secretary deliver to Captain Brohier a Copy of the 50th. Paragraph of Our Honble Masters Genl. Letter dated the 15th. Decr. 1752 and the 54th. Paragraph of that dated 24th. Janry. 1753 and at the same time acquaint him we cannot take upon us to comply with his Request as it does not appear to us, to be their Intention he should have Pay both as Engineer & Captain since he is promised a Reward in Consideration of his continuing to exert himself in the former Capacity. His Request not granted. An answer to be return'd him.

The President lays before the Board a Letter from Captn. Polier which is read representing that he apprehends the Swiss Recruits landed this season from Europe are intended to recruit the four Company's of Swiss in the Companys service equally and desiring that he may have his Proportion. Letter from Captn. Polier relating to the Swiss Recruits.

ORDER'D That such of the Swiss Recruits as were destined for this Presidency be incorporated in Schaub's & Gaupp's Company's and such as were intended for Bengal, in Polier's Company. Order thereon.

Letter from Mr. Henry Powney Import Warehousekeeper with one to him from Captn. Baron read as entered hereafter, The former representing that on gauging the Madeira wine landed from the Winchelsea, there was found a Deficiency of $4\frac{3}{16}$ Pipes besides 4 Pipes quite empty; and the latter accounting for the Cause of the said Deficiency. Letter from the Import Warehousekr. relating to a Deficiency in Madeira Wine.

RESOLV'D That as it appears the said Deficiency does not arise from any Default or Neglect on board, but from the badness of the Casks, The Circumstances of the Case be represented to Our Honble Masters and that it be referr'd to them to settle it with the Owners in England. To be referr'd home.

The Import Warehouse keeper delivers in an account sale of seven hundred Candy of the Honble Company's Lead sold at publick Outcry for two Months Trust the 1st. Instant amounting to Eight thousand, One hundred and twenty Pagodas (Ps. 8120) which on an average turns out about Eleven Pagodas six fanams ℔ Candy ORDER'D That the said account be enter'd after the Minutes of this Consultation. Accot. sale Lead read.

The Import Warehousekeeper acquaints the Board that pursuant to Order of Consultation the 2d. July, The Honble Company's Copper was offer'd for sale at Publick Outcry the 1st. Instant but that no Bidders appeared. Copper put up at Outcry, but no Bidders offered.

ORDER'D That it be put up again at Outcry on Wednesday the 12th. Septr. next on the Term & Conditions directed in the Genl. Letter dated 8th. Decr. 1749 and that publick Notice be given thereof. To be put up again.

Letter from Mr. Edward Edwards Assay Master read as enter'd hereafter, in answer to a Letter from the Secretary wrote by order of Consultation 23 July, alledging as a Reason for the Rupees not being of their proper Fineness, that upon assaying some of the Mexico Dollars, he finds they are considerably worse than the standard at which they are received into the Mint, which the Board judging insufficient, a Letter in Reply being draughted and approved as enter'd hereafter, the Secretary is orderd to sign & send him in Return. Letter from the Assay Master.

The Company's Houshold Furniture having been order'd under the Charge of Mr. Charles Turner the Register of the Sea Gate, an account thereof is now laid before the Board ORDER'D That it be enter'd after the Minutes of this Consultation. List of the Company's Furniture read.

A Country Sloop being shortly bound to Fort St. David, ORDER'D that the Guns Arms &ca. directed in Consultation the 6th. Instant to be sent thither, be laden on her, and that the Indents for Wares and Stores be complied with as soon as conveniently may. Guns, small arms &ca. to be sent to St. David on a Country Sloop.

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Bond to Mr. Medeiros to be paid off.

AGREED that the late President and Council's Bond to Mr. Lewis de Medeiros dated the 18th. July 1745 with simple Interest to this Day be paid off,

The Principal being Fifteen thousand Pagodas	15000
Interest for 7 Years & 15 days (1 Year being discharged before the Loss of the Place) at 8 ℔ cent ℔ annum is Eight thousand four hundred & fifty Pags.	8450
Pags: ...	23450

amounting in whole to twenty three thousand four hundred & fifty Pagodas.

Money paid in on accott. by The Sea Customer.

Henry Powney Sea Customer pays in One thousand (1000) Pagodas on his running Account.

Import Warehouse-kr. & Storekeeper.

Henry Powney Import Warehousekeeper pays in on his running account Twenty four thousand Pagodas (24000).

Alexander Wynch Storekeeper pays in six Thousand (6000) Pagodas.

St. Thome Farmers pay in 71 Years rent to 1st. Decr last.

Linga Chittee & Subramoney Moodelaire Renters of St. Thome pay in Four thousand (4000) Pagodas for one Years Rent of that Cowle due 1st. December last.

THOS: SAUNDERS.
CHAS: BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR: WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CHS: BOURCHIER.

FROM ON BOARD THE FALMOUTH
AUGT. THE 10TH. 1753.

SIR

We make bold to trouble you concerning the Affair that We was all on shore about, and We all hope you will not take it any ways amiss, Our Chief Mate informs us this Morning that our Third Mate is not to go to Bengal in the ship with us, and for us to think of bringing of him to a Tryal there we expect the answer that we shall get will be that if we had been on a Right Cause we should have been righted here, and this being the only Place for us to make our Application on such an affair as this is, We all hope that the President and Council will be so good as to bring him to a Tryal here, for we don't chuse to let it go any further, for if we let it drop we are lyable to be prosecuted ourselves if we doe and we hope the Gentlemen will not think it any ways mutinous in us if We insist of doing no Duty in the ship for We none of us will go from this Place in the ship till we are righted nor offer to way [*sic*] an Anchor, so we all hope your Goodness will be pleased to give us an Answer or Else we must all come on shore to Morrow Pray be so good as to send an answer by the Bearer which is all at present from your dutyful servants.

A. b. c. d. e. f. g. h. i. k. l. m. n. o. p. q. r. s. t. v. w. x. y. z.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

SIR

In Order to the more quick Dispatch of Carrying on the publick Works, I must request the Favour of your Orders in sundry Matters, concerng. those works, and which I had the Honour to mention to you, when last I waited upon you.

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As we are obliged to build an entire new wall to the North side of Fort S^{t}. George, with your Approbation, I propose this should be done One hundred Yards further out than the Counter scarp of the Present wall, which will greatly enlarge this Place and at a small additional Expence.

That you will please give your Orders prohibiting all Manner of Persons, building or digging within certain Distances quite round the Works. As for destroying Houses I am extreamly loath to propose this, till Necessity obliges us thereto.

That you will please to order the Bricks shall be made up to the standard size, agreed upon by the late M^{r}. Robins, and they be sufficiently baked and burnt, and of good clay, And this Order you will further please to extend throughout all the Presidency, That the Brick Makers may not plead Ignorance or custom of making Bricks, otherwise than M^{r}. Robin's Moulds are, And that Forty or fifty Lack of Bricks be provided for at this Place only, with all possible speed.

To allow free Leave to make Bricks by all Persons qualified to undertake this for the good of the service.

That you will please Order a large Quantity of Chinnam to be provided for, of the shell sort if to be had, or else the best of the stone sort, and to allow the Importation thereof freely.

That You will please order a greater Number of Cooleys and Tank diggers to be got together.

That you will please order in all the different Places where works are to be carried on, that those who provide Materials shall furnish the best of each kind, and at the Cheapest Rates, it may be easily afforded, for the Company's use and for their best advantage.

That you will please allow me to employ Lieut^{t}. Robert Barker of the Artillery as Enginier, and if this meets your approbation that then you will please, to order the said Lieut^{t}. Robert Barker to be exchanged from Captn. Jones his Company to Captn. Brohier his Company and Lieut^{t}. Alford to go to Bengal in Lieut^{t}. Barkers Room.

The above requests, being meant for the Good of the public service, I flatter myself they will meet with your Approbation.

I am
SIR
Your most Obed^{t}. Humble
Servant
CAR. FRED. SCOTT.

FORT S^{T}: GEORGE
13TH. AUG^{T}. 1753.

To CAROLINE FREDERICK SCOTT ESQ^{R}.
LIEUT^{T}. COLONEL IN HIS MAJESTIES SERVICE
& ENGINEER GENERAL OF ALL
THE HONBLE COMPANYS SETTLEMENTS IN INDIA.

SIR

The President has laid before Us the Letter you was pleased to deliver him of this Date, To which We have only to reply that our utmost Endeavours shall not be wanting to comply with the Representations. You have thought proper to make therein and with the Greatest Readiness acquiesce to the Exchange of Lieut^{t}. Barker for Lieut^{t}. Alford who we shall appoint agreeable to Your Desire to be employed as an Engineer here.

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The Honble Company having directed Mr. Thomas Heath, whom they sent out purposely to be trained up as an Engineer to attend you as an Assistant in that Branch being now at one of the subordinate Factories, We have order'd him to proceed to Vizagapatam to wait your Arrival and act agreable to your Directions.

We are
SIR
Your most Obedt. hble Servants
THOS: SAUNDERS.
CHAS: BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXR. WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CHAS: BOURCHIER.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST: GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

THE Honble Court of Directors having been pleased to honour me with the Command of the Second Company of Artillery on this Coast, as a Mark of their Approbation of My Proceedings, I beg leave to represent, That I have receiv'd no Pay as Engineer since the 31st. of May last, and that I humbly conceive the Honble Court never intended to reduce my Pay of Thirty four Pagodas ℔ Month in giving me the Command of a Company, as they were perfectly well acquainted by the Swallow sloop of War, of the allowances you had been pleased to make me as Engineer of which I shall ever retain the most grateful sentiments, Humbly submitting this to your superiour Judgement, I am with profound Respect

HONBLE SIR & SIRS,
Your most Humble and most
Obedient Servant,
JOHN BROHIER.

FORT ST. GEORGE
AUGUST 11TH. 1753.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Captain Christopher Baron having represented to me by Letter, the great Leakage that was found out in the Company's Madeira Wine after it begun to be unloaded, which he setts forth, is not occasioned by the bad stowage as will appear by the Report of the survey order'd on board him on his arrival here, but by the badness of the Casks & Newness of the Wine.

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After the Wine was all landed, I had it survey'd by the Company's Cooper in Presence of the Purser, and by gaging the Pipes found the following Deficienies.

Received ℔ Ship Winchelsea.

Madeira Wine	1 Pipe	Gaged 30	Gallⁿ.
	1 Dº.	45	
	1 Dº.	12	
	1 Dº.	20	
	1 Dº.	20	
	1 Dº.	73	
	6 Pipes	200 is 1-13/.6	
	4 Empty		
	10		
Deduct	1-13/16		
Pipes	8-3/16 deficient.		

Upon surveying the whole Quantity there are several Pipes that the staves appear to be very bad which are order'd to be properly taken Care of.

I am
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedt. Humble Servt.
HENRY POWNEY.
Impt. W. H. Kr.

FORT ST. GEORGE
13TH AUGT. 1753.

To HENRY POWNEY ESQR.

FORT ST. GEORGE
11TH AUGT. 1753.

SIR

THE following is an account of the Honble Company's Wine sent ashore here.

By the survey that was on board before I began to unload, it appear'd they were properly stowed, bung up, & bulge free, Therefore I cannot account any way for their Leakage, only of one Pipe which run out at the Taphole, by the Badness of the Cork or stopper which was worm eaten, some of the other Casks were found with their Heads quite out; so that the whole must be owing to the Badness of the Casks and Newness of the Wine, which my Officers are ready to declare on Oath if required.

I am
SIR
Your most Obedt. humble Servt.
CHRISTOPHER BARON.

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To the Honble Thomas Saunders Esq^R.

President & Governour &c^A. Council of Fort S^T: George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I am sorry to hear there is such a Deficiency in the Assay of our Rupees, I strove very hard to find out the Error last Year, and thought I explained myself pretty fully on the subject, in my Letter to the Board dated July 2^d. 1752 however I find that is not sufficient, therefore have employed myself further on the Matter for this ten Days past in endeavouring to find out the Error, and beleive I have accomplished it, tho am very certain the fault lies a little to the Manner the Natives of this Place melt their silver, and really I have found it by Experience.

I have made assays of several Mexico and Pillar Dollars, and find a considerable Difference in the former from what we receive them into the Mint as you'll perceive from the inclosed Paper, which is Reports of both from 1744 to 1752. The Difference in the Mexico Dollar is much about equal to the Deficiency in the Rupee, therefore am certain from that Chiefly proceeds the Cause, As to the Pillar, one with another I find them turn out much the same as we receive them into the Mint.

Accompanying this, You'll receive the Mexico & Pillar Dollars I made assays of, which I beg may be sent home ℔ first ship.

You desire me to explain why my Calculation of Carrats and Grains exceeds those at home, which is very easy to explicate, from this; That We in this Part of the world always reckon twelve Grains to the Carrat, and those at home, reckon but four, so that three Grains of ours is equal to one of their's, The Manner I make the Calculation, is practised by the Dutch in all their Settlements in India however to convince you further, I have enclos'd you a Dutch assay Paper, and am

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obed^t. Hble Serv^t.
Edwards Edwards.

Fort S^T. George.
August 9^TH. 1753.

Account of Assays of Mexico. and New Pillar Dollars, Tried at Fort S^t. George the 8^th. Day of August 1753.

No.	Mexico Dollars. Date.		dwt.
1	1744 Worse	..	7
2	1745	..	6½
3	1746	..	7
4	1747	..	6
5	1748	..	6
6	1749	..	5
7	1750	..	7
8	1751	..	6½
9	1752	..	6½
10	1736 to 1744		
	8 Dollars w^t.	oz. 6.	dw^t. gr. 18. 6
	Came out worse 5½ upon second trial the same.		
11	1744 to 1753. 8 Dollars w^t. 7. 16. 12 Came out worse 5 dw^t. upon second Trial 5½.		

No.	New Pillar Dollars. Date.		dwt.
1	1751 Worse	..	4½
2	1750	..	5½
3	1749	..	3
4	1748	..	5
5	1747	..	3½
6	1746	..	6
7	1745	..	3
8	1744	..	4
9	1744 to 1752 8 Dollars w^t.		oz. 7 dw^t. — grs. 12
	Came out Worse 4½ upon second Trial 4.		

Edward Edwards
Assay Master.

N.B

The last Parcels of Mexico and Pillar Dollars are not them, that is tried seperate but out of another Bag.

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To Mr. Edward Edwards

Assay Master.

Sir

The President and Council having duely considered the Purport of your answer to the Letter I wrote you by their Order, regarding the Deficiency in the Weight and Fineness of the Rupees, Have directed me to acquaint you that what you urge of the Badness of the Mexico Dollars being the Cause that the Rupees are not of their proper Fineness is an argument that Carry's with it very little weight, and rather proves that you have been extreamly remiss in your Duty, For as Assay Master it is your Business to assay all Gold & silver that is deliver'd into the Mint before the same is coined, and to see that neither Pagodas or Rupees are coined but of the fixed standard, Therefore if the Dollars you speak of were of a lower Touch than usual, it was certainly incumbent on you to have brought the same to a proper fineness, and at the same time to have represented to them the President and Council the Difference you now mention that they might have taken Notice of it to the Company & have given you such Directions thereon as they judged necessary to obviate any consequences that might from thence arise to the Discredit of the Mint, An affair of very great Importance to the Interest of our Honble Masters.

As the Method you follow of making your Assays before the Metals are coined only They imagine may give the workmen in the Mint, an Opportunity of debasing them as They prepare Them for coining, They direct that out of every Parcel of Rupees & Pagodas that are coined, you take afterwards a few & assay them again, which seems the most probable Means to prevent such Practices, should you at any time detect or suspect any Persons guilty thereof, you must immediately represent the same to the President & Council that they may be treated according to their Demerits.

With Regard to your Manner of Computing Carrats & Grains, as it is not familiar to the Gentlemen at home, The President & Council desire that you will in future make your Calculations agreeable to the Method practised in England.

I am
Sir
Your most Obed^{t}. Serv^{t}.
Cha^{s}. Bourchier.
Secretary.

Fort S^{t}. George.
13th. August 1753.

ACCOUNT SALE of the HONBLE COMPANY's LEAD at PUBLIC OUTCRY for two Months Trust.

The Time of Sale.	Quality of the Goods.	Lot or quantity.	Invoice Price.	Price put up at.	Price sold at.	Amount of Each Lot.	To whom sold.
AUGUST 1st. 1753 ..	LEAD ..	20 Candy ..	Pags. 8 23 —	Pags : 11.	Pags : 11-1/2	Pags : 230 —	Mr. Powney.
		Do. ..	— — —		11-1/2	230 —	Do.
		Do. ..	— — —		11-5/8	232 18	Kellavah Chitty.
		Do.	— — —		11-5/8	232 18	Do.
		Do. ..	— — —		11-5/8	232 18	Do.
		Do. ..	— — —		11-5/8	232 18	Linga Chitty.
		Do. ..	— — —		11-5/8	232 18	Kellava Chitty.
		Do. ..	— — —		11-3/4	235 —	Mr. Powney.
		Do. ..	— — —		11-5/8	232 18	Vellapah.
		Do. ..	— — —		11-5/8	232 18	Comrapah Chitty.
		Do. ..	— — —		11-5/8	232 18	Vellayadapalah.
		Do. ..	— — —		11-3/4	235 —	Nararee.
		Do. ..	— — —		11-5/8	232 18	Paupah Chitty.
		Do. ..	— — —		11-5/8	232 18	Vellapah.
		Do. ..	— — —		11-3/4	235 —	Nararee.
		Do. ..	— — —		11-5/8	232 18	Tagapah Chitty.
		Do. ..	— — —		11-5/8	232 18	Vellapah.
		Do. ..	— — —		11-3/4	235 —	Mr. Powney.
		Do. ..	— — —		11-5/8	232 18	Kellava Chitty.
		Do. ..	— — —		11-5/8	232 18	Pole Chitty.
		Do. ..	— — —		11-5/8	232 18	Nararee.
		Do. ..	— — —		11-5/8	232 18	Soubiah.
		Do. ..	— — —		11-5/8	232 18	Nararee.
		Do. ..	— — —		11-5/8	232 18	Comrapah.
		Do. ..	— — —		11-5/8	232 18	Nararee.
		Do. ..	— — —		11-5/8	232 18	Comrapah.
		Do. ..	— — —		11-5/8	232 18	Ramah Linga.
		Do. ..	— — —		11-1/2	230 —	Comrapah Chitty.
		Do. ..	— — —		11-1/2	230 —	Linga Chitty.
		Do. ..	— — —		11-1/2	230 —	Comrapah.
		Do. ..	— — —		11-1/2	230 —	Nararee.
		Do. ..	— — —		11-1/2	230 —	Mr. Powney.
		Do. ..	— — —		11-1/2	230 —	Comrapah Chitty.
		Do. ..	— — —		11-1/2	230 —	Ramalinga Chitty.
		Do. ..	— — —		11-3/8	227 18	Comrapah Chitty.
		700 Candy.				Pags : 8120 —	

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1ST. AUGUST 1753.

ERRORS EXCEPTED
℔ HENRY POWNEY.
Impt. W. H. Kr.

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A List of Sundries belonging to the Honble Company Vizt:

Under Care of the Governour.

4 Looking Glasses large.
1 Do. small.
2 Teak Tables large
2 Do. small.
2 Marble Tables.
1 Cupboard.
1 Brass Lanthorn.
4 Blackwood Elbow Chairs.
6 Manilha Do.
7 Small Chairs.
1 Desk.
1 China Tea Table.
1 Iron Chest.
1 Cott.

Silver Plate.

1 Mounteth.
2 Salvers.
3 Salt cellars.
4 spoons for Table.

Cook Room Furniture.

1 Brass Pot large.
10 Do. small.
1 Pan.
2 Tauches.
2 spits.
1 stand.
1 Grid Iron.
2 Tables of Country Wood.

At the Warehouse.

1 Large Desk.
43 Teak Horses at the Export Warehouse.
29 Do. do. at the Import Warehouse.

At The Sea Gate.

1 Large Teak Chest.
1 Small Do.
12 Good Teak Chairs.
2 Desks.

In The Secretary's Office.

5 Large standing Book Presses.
1 standing set of Pidgeon Holes for a Desk.
2 Hanging setts of Pidgeon Holes.
1 Writing Table.
5 Single Writing Desks.
1 double Do. Do.
1 Desk for four Persons.
1 dozen Good Teak Chairs.
3 wooden screws for binding Books.
1 Teak Hand Escrutoire.
2 Tin signing Boxes

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IN THE SECRETARY'S OFFICE—*cont.*

1 Iron screw for Pressing Papers.
1 Old round Teak Table.
1 Iron Loggerhead & a Copper Plate for making large Seals.
1 Large silver seal with the Companys Arms.
1 Middling Dc. Do. Do.
1 Small Do. Do. Do.

IN THE ACCOMPTANTS OFFICE.

4 Desks.
3 Book Presses.
1 Pidgeon Holes.
6 Good Teak Chairs.

IN THE ASSAY OFFICE.

1 Desk.
2 Tables.

IN POSSESSION OF THE ENGINEER.

1 large Writing Table.
1 Desk.
1 Desk Mr. Henry Brooke carried with him to Pegue.

UNDER THE CARE OF MR. TURNER.

1 Large Teak Table.
1 small Writing Do.
1 Pallankeen with Tossell's under Mr. Boddam.
1 Do. Do. Mr. Hunter carried with him to Pegue.

ERRORS EXCEPTED
℔ CHAS. TURNER.

FORT ST. GEORGE.
11TH. AUGT. 1753.

13 Received by Peons Genl. Letter from Fort St. David dated 9th. Instant.

14 Sailed the Honble Company's ship Winchelsea Captn. Christopher Baron for Vizagapatam and Bengal, with Coll. Scot Passenger, and Genl. Letters to those two Settlements, Ingeram and Madapollam all dated Yesterday.

— Received by Pattamar General Letter from the President and Council of Bengal dated the 26th. May.

— Late in the Evening arrived the Honble Company's ship Delawar Captain Thomas Winter from Bencoolen and Batavia with several Packets for this Presidency.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

WEDNESDAY THE 15TH.

THOS. SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVR. PRESIDT.
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXR. WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

The Book of standing Orders lying on the Table.
The Minutes of Last Consultation read & sign'd.
General Letters read Vizt.

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N. 131 from the Deputy Governour & Council of Fort S^{t}. David dated the 9th. Instant, acquainting us, That Timmeroy Chitty who resided at Fort S^{t}. David as Agent to one of the Company's Merchants at Salem, having been disapproved by his Master he had displac'd him, and sent one Perisha Rama Modely to transact his Affairs, who has accordingly enter'd on that Charge and undertaken to be answerable for the Company's Ballance; That the said Salem Merchant has represented that he has a Quantity of Cloth ready which has been provided this twelve Month, but without an Escort he cannot risk the sending it, neither can he dispose of it, tho' 'tis lyable to rot, as 'twas provided for the Company, That the like Representations have been made by Nagore Kistna & Rama Chitty Salem Merchants, and all desire a convoy may be granted or that they be allowed to dispose of the Cloth promising in the latter Case to replace it with new Cloth in a reasonable Time. That M^{r}. John Browning who took his Passage to this Place on the Delawar receiv'd his sallary to the 25th. March & Diet to the 1st. Instant, That Lieut^{t}. Keine had desir'd Leave to resign the service and they enclose his Request. General Letter from Fort St. David read.

N. 132 from the Hon^{ble} the President & Council of Fort William dated the 26th. May acknowledging the Receipt of our Letter, dated the 12th. of that Month ℔ Sloop Fortune, and acquainting us that our Hon^{ble} Masters having order'd them to concert Measures with us for dispatching of their ships they desire We will advise them as expeditiously as possible in what manner We propose to dispose of any of them. That Capt^{n}. Baron being recommended to have the Preference for a Country Voyage in case all the ships of this season cannot be dispatched home, otherwise to be sent to Europe the first ship. They desire to know whether we would have him order'd here to fill up. The [*sic*] desire also to be acquainted what we intend to do with the Colchester, That they hope we shall be able to spare them a large supply of Treasure, That the Company having order'd Major Lawrence should not go to Bengal whilst Colonel Scott stays in India, They don't doubt our Compliance therewith. Genl. Letter from Bengal read.

The several Packets received by the Delawar being open'd are found to contain the following Advices Viz^{t}:

N. 133. N. 134. and N. 135. General Letters from the Deputy Governor & Council of Fort Marlborough, the first dated the 14th. April, The second the 25th. June being a Duplicate. The Original whereof sent by the Prince George is not yet arriv'd and the third dated the 11th. Ultimo accompanying sundry Papers agreeable to the Lists of the Packets, and containing an account of their Management, and Transactions in our Hon^{ble} Master's Affairs on the West Coast of Sumatra since their last advices dated the 7th. October. Genl. Letters from Fort Marlbro read.

N. 136 from M^{r}. John Massey late of Council at Fort Marlborough dated 20th. June ult^{o}. representing that the Deputy Governour and Council there having thought proper to dismiss him the Honorable Company's service without allowing him time to vindicate himself he had appealed to this Presidency to whom they are subordinate enclosing his Defence and a Copy of the Charge (an original whereof is in the Fort Marlborough Packet) exhibited against him and requesting him to be re-instated. Letter from Mr. John Massey late of Council at Fort Marlbro

N. 137 from the Hon^{ble} Jacob Mossell Esq^{r}. Governor General of Batavia &c^{a}. dated the 2^{d}. June ult^{o}. acknowledging the receipt of ours of the 5th. January by Captain Thomas Winter whom they had permitted not only to repair his ship the Delawar but also to purchase a Cargo of Timber, assuring us of their reciprocal Esteem and Readiness to maintain a good understanding of which they hope we will construe their Readiness to assist Captain Winter, a Proof. as well as the Contents of their letter to the Gentlemen at Fort Marlbrough dated 30th. May a Copy whereof they enclose.

N^{o}. 138 from Captain Thomas Winter Commander of the Delawar dated at Batavia the 6th. June 1753, accompanying a Diary of his Transactions at that

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Place, also an invoice of Timber purchased there for account of the Honble Company and consigned to this Presidency on the Delawar.

Ordered that Messrs. Henry Powney & Alexr. Wynch survey the remains of the Delawar Madagascar Cargo & stores when landed and report their condition to the Board.

Our Honble Masters having been pleased in the third Paragraph of their Separate General Letter relating to the West Coast dated the 24th. January 1753, to direct that a Committee of the Board be appointed to examine into all the Transactions there RESOLVED that the President Charles Boddam and Henry Powney Esqr. be a committee for that Purpose and report their Proceedings to the Board.

Ordered that Copies [*lacuna*] Extracts of such Letters and Papers as may any way tend to give the Supravizers a Light into the West Coast Affairs be prepared to be delivered them with their Dispatches.

Ordered that such Part of the Timber and Plank as the Engineer shall think necessary for the use of this settlement be landed out of the Delawar and that she be dispatched with the remainder to Fort St. David that twenty five thousand Pagodas fifty thousand Rupees and such part of the stores they have indented for as can be got ready be laden on her for the use of that Settlement and that the Gentlemen there be directed to return her to us with what Bales they have ready.

Ordered that thirty Tons of Redwood be laden on each of the Europe ships in the Road for the Bay and consigned to the Gentlemen there, which with what has been already sent them by the Doncarlos & Shirley will be something more than what they indented for.

The following certificates for Money paid into the Honble Company's Cash at Fort Marlborough being presented to the Board Vizt.

1	One Payable to the Honble Thoms Saunders Esqr. Value of Robt. Hindley Esqr. for	3789	
1	One payable to Do. value of Mr. John Massey for ..	2981	
1	One payable to Do. value of Mr. John Williams	500	
1	One payable to Mr. Chas. Bourchier value of Mr. Roger Carter for	1021	2 60
1	One payable to Captn. Edward Burman value of Mr. Wotton Braham	1050	

Ordered they be discharged having been duly advised of.

Received by Peons Genl. Letter from Fort St. David dated 13th. Instant.

Sailed Brig Fate Dowlats, Alebai Noquedah for Pulicat and Aracan.

Sailed Sloop Charming Fanny, Robert Holf for Fort St. David.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR: GOVR: PRESIDT:
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXR. WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of last Consultation read and signed.

No. 139 General Letter from Fort St. David dated the 13th. Instant read serving only to enclose a Letter to the President from Mr. Dupleix.

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Letter from Mr. John Walsh read as entered hereafter acquainting the Board that in Obedience to their repeated Commands he will prepare himself to proceed to the West Coast as one of the supravizers and requesting that he may be permitted to return as soon as the Service he is sent on is finished without waiting for particular Orders for it.

The Accountant lays before the Board as entered hereafter a Calculate of what Money will be wanted for the service of the Settlements on this Coast for the Current year amounting to upwards of one Lack and an half of Pagodas more than the supply's received from Europe; and the Produce of the Revenues and other Articles.

RESOLVED that the said Deficiency be supplied out of the Treasure consigned to Bengal and that the remainder be forwarded thither by the Falmouth Egmont & Elizabeth in equal proportions.

General Letter to the President and Council of Bengal dated this day is now signed to be delivered with a flying seal to the seamen of the Falmouth referring their Complaining to the Decision of the Gentlemen in the Bay agreeable to Resolution in Consultation the 13th. Instant.

Agreed that a General Letter be prepared to the President and Council of Bengal to go by the Falmouth, acquainting them that the Delawar being arrived here, and having room to expect the Colchester shortly, we shall as soon as she comes in determine which of them we shall detain for our September Dispatch and send the other to the Bay as well as the Dragon as soon as she arrives. That we do not expect we shall be able to supply more than half a ship in January and desire that the Durrington may for that purpose be sent to fill up here as early as possible that her Passage around the Cape may not be risked That we have wrote to Bombay and the settlements on the Malabar Coast for an account of their Investments and what Tonnage they can provide for, and shall Communicate their answers when we receive them. That the necessity of our Affairs have obliged us to detain a part of the Treasure consigned to the Bay The Remainder we shall forward to them by the Falmouth, Egmont and Elizabeth being thirty Chests which with the one hundred and Fifty already sent them we hope will be sufficient for their occasions. That we have landed Thirty Barrels of Gunpowder and Ten Chests of Arms from the Falmouth and as many from the Egmont consigned to the Bay which our Necessity has obliged us to do.

Pursuant to order of last Consultn. Messrs. Henry Powney & Alexr. Wynch deliver in (as entered hereafter) their report of the Condition of the Madagascar stores &ca. returned from the Delawar giving it as their opinion it will be most for the Company's interest to sell them at outcry.

ORDERED that they be sold accordingly as also the damaged coir cordage & stores returned from the West Coast by the Delawar for the most they will fetch.

ORDERED also that the storekeeper take charge of the Sugar consigned to us from Fort Marlborough on the Delawar as a sample of their Manufacture and sell the same at Public outcry and that he settle with Captain Winter the account of Timber and Plank purchased for the Company at Batavia and receive of him the Ballance remaining of what advanced him at Fort Marlborough for that Purpose And that he demand also of Captain Winter the Amount of the Deficiency in the Delawar's Cargo consigned to Fort Marlborough.

The President acquaints the Board that Mr. Horsley, having been recommended by Colonel Scot with whom he came out as a capable person his profession of a Surgeon has applied to be taken into the service as a Surgeon's Mate Resolved that he be entertained accordingly there being a want of one at present.

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Lieut^{t}. Keene having desired Leave to resign the service Resolved that he be permitted accordingly.

It being represented to the Board that the apartments in General for the Company's servants in the inner Fort have been extreamly leaky ever since the storm the 31st. Oct^{r}. ORDERED that they be repaired before the Monsoon shifts.

Mess^{rs}. Benjamin De Visme & Brooke Samson who came out this year with permission to reside in India being desirous of going to Camp as Volunteers Resolved that they have permission to do so. That M^{r}. John Clarke also who came out a volunteer for Bengal with Colonel Scott have leave to proceed there and that a Brevet be made out for him to act as Ensign to the Bengal Detachment.

The Petition of I. Dale Surgeon of the Elizabeth read as entered hereafter praying the usual Head Money allowed for 50 recruits landed here out of that ship ORDERED that the Military Paymaster do discharge the same having first made the usual Enquiry and finding no cause of Complaint.

The Island being greatly in want of repair The heavy rains in the monsoons particularly the last having in many Places washed away the Earth so that it is in Danger of being overflowed in the approaching monsoon or at least of receiving very considerable Damage ORDERED that such Repairs as are absolutely necessary to preserve it from further Detriment, be set about directly and compleated before the Monsoon sets in But that nothing more than what is essential be done as the charges of repairing it compleatly would amount to a very considerable sum.

Two certificates for money paid into the Honble Company's Cash at Fort Marlborough being presented to the Board Viz^{t}. one for (3000) three thousand Dollars and the other for seven thousand five hundred (7500) Dollars both payable to Mess^{rs}. Walsh & Van Sittart value of M^{r}. Thomas Combs—ORDERED that they be paid accordingly.

The Charter to be proclaimed on Friday next.

Our Honble Masters having directed that the Purport of his Majesty's Charter be publickly proclaimed within Thirty Days after its arrival, RESOLVED That Friday next be fixt for that Purpose, and that the Secretary give Notice to the Mayor, Aldermen, Sherif & Commissioners of the Court of Requests to attend with their respective Officers at the Fort House at nine O'Clock in the Morning of that Day in order to proceed from thence with the President & Council in procession to the sorting Godown (there being no Town Hall) in order to proclaim the Charter, that the Secretary, do likewise summon all the Inhabitants of Fort S^{t}. George, and that Publick Notice be given to all the Chiefs of the Casts, Company's Merchants and Principal Inhabitants of the Black Town to attend at ten of the Clock at the sorting Godown to hear the same proclaimed.

Import Warehousekr. pays in Money on his Running accott.

Henry Powney Import Warehousek^{r}. pays in Twenty five thousand (25000) Pagodas on his Running Account.

Advances to the Military Storekeeper & Military Paymaster.

AGREED That the following be made out of Cash Viz^{t}.

To the Military Storekeeper Five hundred (500) Pag^{s}. for sundry Disbursements.

To the Military Paymaster One thousand (1000) Pagodas for the Charges of that Employ.

THO^{S}. SAUNDERS.
CHA^{S}. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
A^{R}. WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CH^{S}. BOURCHIER.

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To the Honourable Thomas Saunders Esq^R^.
President & Governour &c^A^. Council of
Fort S^T^. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

In Consequence of an Order of Council I now present to you a Calculate of what money will be wanting to defray the Expence to pay off the several Bonds & all the Advances for the Investments computed as near as possible, The Bonds were mentioned in the last years Calculate, but as severals of them were not paid off then, and more order'd by our Honble Masters to be discharged this Year is the Occasion of their being inserted again.

Company's Bonds	114,000
Fort S^t^. George Investments	120,000
Fort S^t^. David Ditto	80,000
Northern Settlements	150,000
Expences including the Company's Advances	500,000
Pagods. ..	964,000

The supplys receiv'd from Europe and the Revenues which are to support the above Disbursements are as follows.

Receivd for the use of this Presidency in Gold £ 101,027 produces in the Mint	264,355	—	—
Do. in Bullion £ 171377. 1. 4 @ 8^sh^. ℔ Pagoda..	428,442	24	—
Lead sold at Outcry	8120	—	—
Iron Do.	6445	—	—
Madeira Wine to be sold at Outcry	6000	—	—
Revenues	100,000	—	—
Pagods. ...	813,362	24	—

The Broad Cloth & Copper are not mentioned, as there is not an Appearance of it's selling at Outcry at present And as the above Calculate of Disbursements exceeds the supplys for it, Your Honour &c^a^. will be pleased to detain as much of the Bengal Treasure as will be necessary.

I am
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient Humble Servant
Henry Powney.
Accompt^t^.

Fort S^T^. George.
20^TH^. August 1753.

To the Honble Thomas Saunders Esq^R^.

President & Gov^R^. &c^A^. Council of
Fort S^T^. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have surveyed the Madagascar stores returned from the Delawar, and find most of them in a perishable Condition, owing as we imagine to the hurt

they receiv'd in the storm & as most of the Package is bad, We think it will be more for the Company's Interest, to sell them at Publick Outcry, & that the Arms, Flints & Lead shott be deliver'd to the Military Storekeeper.

We are
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedt. Servants
HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXR. WYNCH.

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20TH. AUGUST 1753.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDT. & GOVERNOUR &CA. COUNCIL OF
FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

As you are pleased to repeat your Commands for my going to the West Coast, notwithstanding the Representation I have made of my ill state of Health, I shall pay an entire submission to them, whatever Inconveniencies I may suffer. Your Honour &ca. will however be pleased to give me Leave to return as soon as the service I am sent on is properly finished, without waiting for particular Orders for it, which might prolong my stay there unnecessarily for the Inquiries lie so open, that I presume they can require, no length of Time to examine into & the Confusion in the Companys Affairs there is perhaps owing principally to a Neglect of former Regulations, so that but a little more may be necessary, than to exact a strict Observance of them.

I am with great Respect
We are
Your most Obedient & most humble Servants
JOHN WALSH.

FORT ST. GEORGE.
20TH. AUGUST 1753.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

THE HUMBLE PETITION OF I. DALE SURGEON OF THE SHIP ELIZABETH.

SHEWETH

That Fifty of the Honble Companys Military Recruits of whom your Petitioner had the Care in the Voyage from England, having been landed here out of the ship Elizabeth He humbly prays your Honour &ca. Council will be pleased to order him the usual Head money in such Cases.

And Your Petitioner shall ever pray &ca.

17 Received by Peons General Letter from Bandarmalanka dated the 3d. Instant.

22 Do. by Tappies Genl. Letter from Fort St. David dated the 18th. Instant.

— Arrived sloop Mary Anne, Assem Condou from Fort St. David.

24 Pursuant to Resolution in last Consultation the several Gentlemen of Council, The Mayor, Aldermen & Sheriff & Commissioners of the Court of Requests in their respective Robes with their several Officers being assembled at the Fort House, at ten O'Clock in the Morning, proceeded from thence in Procession to the sorting Godown at which

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Place the Principal Inhabitants of Fort S^{t}. George and a great Number of the Chief Persons in the Black Town were conveen'd [*sic*]. The President having taken his seat, as likewise the several other Gentlemen abovementioned in their proper Order, and his Majesties Charter which had been publickly carried in the Procession before the President and Council (being placed on a Table before the President), Proclamation was made for Silence, Then the Crier of the Court of Sessions repeating after the Clerk of the Peace, published with an audible voice as follows.

" His Majesty has been most graciously pleased to grant to the Com-
" pany his Royal Charter under his Great Seal for erecting Courts of
" Justice, Civil & Criminal at Fort S^{t}. George under the Denomi-
" nations of a Court of Oyer and Terminer for all Criminal Processes,
" a Mayors Court for Matters of Property, a Court of Requests for
" deciding in a summary way all suits under the value of five Pago-
" das and a Court of Appeals; to which any Person thinking himself
" aggriev'd by a Decree of the Mayors Court may apply."

GOD SAVE THE KING.

The President then recommended to the Mayor and Aldermen & Commissioners of the Court of Requests a strict attention to the administration of Justice in their respective Courts, and a due observance of the several Directions in the Charter, The Exemplification whereof he deliver'd to the Mayor and a Copy of that Part of it which relates to the Court of Requests to the Commissioners, and after a salute of One and twenty Guns, The abovementioned Gentlemen returned in Procession to the Fort House in the Order they went.

Sail'd the Honble Company's ship Falmouth Captain Thomas Field for Bengal with two General Letters to the Gentlemen there, One dated the 20th. and the other the 24th. Instant, The first to be deliver'd by the ships Company. 25

Sail'd the Honble Company's ship Delawar Captn. Thomas Winter for Fort S^{t}. David with a General Letter to the Gentlemen there dated the 26th. Instant. 27

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THO^{S}. SAUNDERS ESQ^{R}. GOV^{R}. PRESID^{T}. MONDAY
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY. THE 27TH.
ALEX^{R}: WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

The Book of standing Orders lying on the Table.

Last Consultation read & signed.

General Letters read Viz^{t}.

N^{o}. 140 From M^{r}. John Andrews at Bandarmalanka dated the 3^{d}. Instant enclosing his Accounts for July. General Letter from Bandarmalanka read.

N. 140 From M^{r}. John Andrews at Bandarmalanka dated the 3^{d}. Instant the 18th. Inst^{t} advising that they have drawn two setts of Bills of Exchange on Us Viz^{t}: One for One hundred and fifty seven Pagodas thirty fanams and twenty five Cash (157. 30. 25) payable to William Percival Esq^{r}. value reced of Tho^{s} Cooke Esq^{r}. The other for One thousand (1000) Pagodas payable to Captain Henry Schaub value of Captn. George Gardiner. Genl. Letter from Fort St. David read.

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Bill from Fort St. David to be accepted & paid.

The Bill of Exchange above advised of payable to Mr. Perceval being now presented to the Board ORDER'D that it be accepted & paid when due.

Fort St. David to be wrote to.

AGREED that a General Letter be wrote to Fort St. David in answer to their severals since the 28th. Ultimo, That in Regard to Cawn Moodelaire We have already given Directions and as the Charter excludes Natives, we recommend Arbitration, in which the Parties are to be left to their free Choice, and are not to be confined to chuse Arbitrators at St. David, but may have Merchants at any other Place. That Captain Keble wrote the President Mr. Starke promised to supply him with Provisions as soon as he arriv'd at St. David, the sooner it had been done the better. That in Regard to what Mr. Drake mentions of his Health, we do not think it so much impaired as to prevent his going to the West Coast. We would therefore have him prepare and come up hither as soon as he has settled his Affairs, As we have Order'd Mr. John Pybus to proceed to Fort St. David by the first Opportunity to take Charge of his Employs. That they did Right in ordering Captn. Ridge with his Detachment to remain at DeveCotah agreeable to what the President & Major Lawrence wrote the Deputy Governour. That we do not disapprove of their Method of disposing of the French Prisoners that it would not have been amiss to have consulted us, as there was Time enough, That their Madeira Wine must be Charged at 60 Pagodas ℔ Pipe, That the Company may be no sufferers by Leakage. That the King of Tanjore having supplyed Major Lawrence with two Candy's of Gunpowder, They must repay it That in regard to what they mention of the Cloth at Salem, we should give all the Assistance in our Power, but the Mysore Army being in the Way will, We imagine make a very large Escort necessary which may not be convenient, we shall however mention it to Major Lawrence, but we can by no Means consent to the Merchants disposing of it. That we have debted their settlement for the sundry's they landed from the Winchelsea the value whereof we enclose. That they must send us their open account Current with this Presidency that we may make the Adjustments. That they will receive herewith Invoice and Bill of Lading of Arms sent them ℔ Fanny sloop, on which Vessell Mr. Alexander Baird took Passage to them having receiv'd his sallary to the 25th. March & Diet for this Month, besides the usual Gratuity for his Expence in removing. That we consent to Lieutenant Keene's Resignation. That the Purport of the Charter should be proclaimed, and a Notice affixed at the Gates, a form whereof We enclose

Land Customs on Peice Goods provided for the King of Pegue to be remitted.

A List being now laid before the Board of sundry Peice Goods provided in the Country for the King of Pegue by his Agents, and intended to be laden on his ship now lying in the Road, RESOLV'D that the Company's Land Customs thereon be remitted for the Reasons before given* in Regard to the Sea Customs which were not demanded on the Goods imported here in that ship.

* Vide Extra Occurrences 9th April 1753.

Captn Winter being in want of a Second Mate, Captn. Wills permitted to discharge his Third for that Purpose.

The President acquaints the Board that Captain Winter of the Delawar being in Want of a second Officer had represented to him his Distress and that Captain Wills was ready to assist him with his Third Mate ORDER'D that the Secretary do deliver Captain Wills a Permit to discharge his third Mate for that Purpose provided it can be done without Inconvenience to his ship.

Egmont to be despatched to Bengal

AGREED That the Egmont be dispatched this Week to Bengal, that Treasure and Redwood agreeable to a former Resolution be shippi'd on her & that a General Letter to the President and Council there be prepared advising them thereof.

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THE Elizabeth being also in Readyness to sail ORDER'D That the Redwood be shipp'd and that the Treasure be prepared but that the ship be detain'd a few Days longer to answer any sudden Emergency in which Time 'tis probabale either the Dragon or Colchester may arrive on the Delawar return from S^t^. David.

Elizabeth to be detained a few days.

Letter from the Commissioners of the Court of Requests read as enter'd hereafter enclosing a List of Fees for the Approbation of the Board representing the Necessity of having an Interpreter and recommending him to the Board for a sallary of three Pagodas a Month in Lieu of Fees which if permitted would greatly encrease the charges of suitors in the Court, Requesting also to be allowed four Talliars.

The Commissrs. of the Court of Requests desire an Interpreter & 4 Telliars at the Companay's charge.

RESOLV'D That an Interpreter and four Talliars be allowed as desir'd for the service of the Court of Requests at the Company's Expence and that an Account be opened in the General Books under the Head of Court of Requests for this and other Incident Charges.

Granted.

The Table of Fees enclosed in the said Commissioners Letter being read and consider'd the Board do approve thereof and the same is accordingly now sign'd pursuant to our Honble Masters Directions, to be affix'd for publick View in the Place where the Commissioners shall meet to transact Business, a Copy of which List is enter'd after these Minutes.

A Table of Fees for the Commrs. of Requests settled & signed.

The Petition of Hendrick Smith read as enter'd hereafter, representing that he has served the Company ten years in their Military, and having now obtained his Discharge Prays that he may have Leave to settle in this Place and keep a House of Entertainment which is granted.

Hendrick Smith Petitions to Settle here & keep a Publick House.

Granted.

The Import Warehousekeeper lays before the Board an Account sale of an hundred Pipes of the Honble Company's Madeira Wine sold at publick Outcry the 23^d^. Instant, amounting to six Thousand Nine hundred and twenty Nine

f. c.

Pagodas & five Eights (6929$\frac{5}{8}$) which on an Average is Pagodas 69. 10. 5 ℔ Pipe ORDER'D That Thirty Pipes remaining in the Godown for the use of the Companys servants be deliver'd out as it may be wanted at the Average Price.

Account sale of Madeira Wine.

M^r^. Alexander Wynch Attorney to M^r^. Robert Sloper now tenders to the Board a Certificate of Nicholas Morse Esq^r^. formerly President &c^a^. Council of Madrass for three hundred and seventy seven Pagodas, Eighteen Fanams (377. 18) bearing Date the 2^d^. November 1746 for sundry's supplyed the storekeeper by the said M^r^. Sloper before the Loss of this settlement, and M^r^. Wynch also producing a Letter of Attorney from M^r^. Sloper to him to receive the same. ORDER'D that the said Certificate be discharged together with the simple Interest due thereon taking a Discharge agreeable to the Directions in the 89^th^. Paragraph of the General Letter from England dated the 24^th^. Jan^ry^. 1753.

A Certificate for sundry's advanced the storekeeper before the Loss of Madras by Mr. Sloper to be paid.

Application being made to the Board in Behalf of Robert Todd & James Bound both belonging to the Elizabeth who are desirous of residing in India under the Company's Protection, and they being recommended as Persons that may be serviceable here either in the sea faring way or by engaging in the Military, if we should at any Time be in want of Officers as was the Case last year, RESOLVD That the Secretary give Captñ. Wills a Permitt to discharge the same if he has no Objection and they can be spared without Inconvenience to the ship, and that a Paragraph in Relation hereto be inserted in the next General Letter.

Captn. Wills permitted to discharge Robt. Todd & Jas. Bound.

Thomas Saunders Esq^r^. Mint Master reads that account for last Month Ballances remaining in the Mint Four hundred and seventy two thousand, Three hundred and forty four (472344) Madrass Rupees One Million four

Monthly accotts. read. Mint.

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hundred and thirty Eight thousand One hundred and seventy six Arcot Rupees ten Anaes (A.Rs. 1438176. 10. —.) seventeen (17) Madrass Pagodas And One hundred and ten thousand five hundred and seventy two Current Pagodas three Fanams and twenty five Cash (Curt. Ps. 110572. 3. 25) which are carried forward.

Export warehousekr. Charles Boddam Export Warehousekeeper reads that account for last Month Ballance due from him One thousand One hundred & sixty One Pagodas and Eleven Cash. (Pags. 1161. –. 11) which is Carried forward.

Paymaster. Charles Boddam Paymaster reads that Account for last Month.

Charges Garrison	Pags. 257	35	50
Hospital Charges	222	4	35
Peons & Servants Wages	414	18	—
Charges General	63	12	37
Charges Extraordinary	266	34	73
Repairs	583	28	76
Fortifications	1137	33	—
Materials Supplied Mr. John Brohier for the use of Fortifications & Repairs	2048	7	65
Poonamalee &ca. villages	60	31	63
St. Thome &ca. villages	26	10	10
Expedition to Negrais	38	27	—
Dead Stock	10	—	—
Charges Cattle	66	24	—
Charges Diet	583	12	—
	[..]	28	[..]

Ballance due from him One thousand six hundred and Eighteen Pagodas, thirty one Fanams and one Cash (1618. 31. 1) which is carried forward.

The extraordinary Expences in the Paymaster's Account are entered here after.

Sea Customer. Henry Powney Sea Customer reads that Account for last Month, Ballance due from him Twelve thousand nine hundred and twenty six Pagodas Thirty four fanams and twenty four Cash (12926. 34. 24) of which he now pays in One thousand (1000) Pagodas in part.

Import Warehouse. Henry Powney Import Warehousekeeper reads that account for last Month, Ballance due from him, twenty thousand four hundred and thirty one Pagodas, Nineteen Fanams and seventy Cash (20431. 19. 70) which is carried forward.

Storekeeper. Alexander Wynch storekeeper reads that Account for last Month, Ballance due from him, seven thousand six hundred and Nine Pagodas, Eleven Fanams & thirty one Cash (7609. 11. 31) of which he now pays in, One thousand (1000) Pagodas in Part.

Military storekeeper. Alexander Wynch Military storekeeper reads that account for last Month Ballance due from him One hundred & Eighty six Pagodas six fanams and fifty one cash (186. 6. 51) which is carried forward.

Land Customer. John Smith Land Customer reads that Account for last Month, Ballance due from him, Nine hundred and sixty four Pagodas sixteen Fanams (964. 16. –.) which he now pays in.

Military Paymaster. John Smith Military Paymaster reads that account for last Month Ballance due from him Three thousand four hundred and seventy seven Pagodas, twenty seven Fanams, and Thirty nine Cash (3477. 27. 39) which is carried forward.

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The Accomptant reads the Journal Parcels for June. Journal Parcels for June.

The Accomptant also lays before the Board the Monthly Report of the several accounts for July compared with the former accounts. Monthly Report.

The Engineer's account of Expences on the Fortifications and Repairs for last Month is also laid before the Board and read. Engineers account.

Henry Powney Import Warehousekeeper pays in twenty Eight thousand three hundred and twenty four Pagodas, Eleven fanams and fifty four Cash (28324. 11. 54) on account of Rupees sold. Money paid by Import Warehousekr for Rupees sold.

Linga Chittee & Gruapah Farmers of the Paddy Field & salt Pans pay in seven hundred & fifty (750) Pags. for one year's Rent due the 1st. Decr. last. Rent of Company's Paddy Fields & salt Pans.

Linga Chittee & Gruapah Farmers of the Company's Old Garden pay in two hundred & fifty Pags. (250) for one Years Rent due 1st. Decr. last. Rent of the Companys Old Gardens.

The Secretary pays in One hundred and thirty Pags. for Rent of several confiscated Houses Vizt: Rent of confiscated Houses.

for One in Choultry Gate Street forty five Pags. 4½ Months	[45]	—	—
for One in Charles Street twenty five Pags. 2½ Months ..	[25]	—	—
for one in Choultry Gate Street sixty five 6 Months ..	[65]	—	—
Pagodas ..	[135]	—	—

AGREED That the following advances be made out of Cash Vizt. Advances to the

To the Export Warehousekeeper for sundry Disbursements, two thousand four hundred (2400) Pagodas. Export Wareho. keeper.

To the Military Storekeeper for sundry Disbursements, five hundred & fifty Pagodas (Ps. 550). Military Storekeepr.

To the Commissary to defray the Expences of the Troops abroad, Twelve thousand three hundred and twenty four Pagodas Eleven fanams and fifty four Cash (12324. 11. 54) Commissary.

To the Military Paymaster for the Charges of that Employ, One thousand (1000) Pagodas. Military Paymaster.

THOS. SAUNDERS.
CHAS. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR. WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CHAS. BOURCHIER.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.

PRESIDT. & GOVERNOUR &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

THE HUMBLE PETITION OF HENDRICK SMITH

SHEWETH

That your Honour's Petitioner came here in the Honble Companys Ship the Caesar in the Year Forty One and immediately on her arrival on this Coast, enter'd himself in the Honble Company's service, and has serv'd them Ten years voluntarily at which time the Honble Governour Saunders was pleased to grant his Discharge out of the Military, and He having an inclination to settle in this Place under the Honble Company's Protection, Humbly Prays your Honours will Grant him the Liberty and a License for keeping an House of Entertainment.

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And Your Honours Petitioner as in Duty Bound shall ever Pray &c^{a}. &c^{a}.

EXTRAORDINARY EXPENCES in the Paymasters accounts are in the following Particulars, July 31st. 1753.

HOSPITAL CHARGES							
Daniel Gregorio's Note for Firewood Servts. &c^{a}.	Ps.	3	23	—			
Taylor mending Old Cloaths		—	2	—			
Oil		3	2	45			
Surgeons Note for Medecines		2	12	—			
					9	3	45
CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY					266	34	73
REPAIRS					583	28	26
FORTIFICATIONS					1137	33	—
MATERIALS supplied M$_{r}$. Brohier for the use of Fortifications and Repairs					2,048	7	65
POONAMALEE &c^{a}. villages					60	31	63
S^{t}. THOME &c^{a}. Villages					26	10	10
EXPEDITION TO NEGRAIS					33	27	—
DEAD STOCK					10	—	—
	Pagodas ..				4081	32	42

ACCOUNT SALE of the HONBLE COMPANY'S MADEIRA WINE AT PUBLICK OUTCRY.

Time of Sale.	Quality of the Goods.	Lot or Quantity.	Invoice Price.	Price put up at.	Price sold at.	Amount of the Lot.	To whom sold.
August 23d. 1753.	Madeira Wine.	Pipe 1.	Pags. 44 31 10	Pags. 59	..	Pags. 60½	Captain Morgan.
		Do.	— — —			61	Do.
		Do.	— — —			60	Mr. Clarke.
		Do.	— — —			61	Captn. Morgan.
		Do.	— — —			61½	Mr. Simpson.
		Do.	— — —			61¼	Mr. Fairfield.
		Do.	— — —			61	Cullavah Chitty.
		Do.	— — —			61¾	Mr. Moses.
		Do.	— — —			63	Mr. Powney.
		Do.	— — —			64	Mr. Bourchier.
		Do.	— — —			64	Captn. Morgan.
		Do.	— — —			63¼	Mr. Wynch.
		Do.	— — —			66½	Mr. Munro.
		Do.	— — —			63¼	Mr. Edwards.
		Do.	— — —			64½	Do.
		Do.	— — —			65	Mr. Boddam.
		Do.	— — —			66	Captn. Morgan.
		Do.	— — —			64-15/16	Mr. Moses.
		Do.	— — —			65	Mr. Boddam.
		Do.	— — —			64	Mr. Edwards.
		Do.	— — —			64½	Mr. Powney.
		Do.	— — —			65	Mr. Boddam.
		Do.	— — —			65	Mr. Coja Mackatoon.
		Do.	— — —			65-¾	Mr. Bourchier.
		Do.	— — —			66 1/16	Mr. Munro.
		Do.	— — —			64½	Comrapa Chitty.
		Do.	— — —			65	Mr. Powney.
		Do.	— — —			66¾	Coja Marcar.
		Do.	— — —			62½	Kellavah Chitty.
		Do.	— — —			65	Mr. Stratton.
		Do.	— — —			66-7/8	Mr. Munro.
		Do.	— — —			66½	Coja Miguel.
				CARRIED OVER PAGODAS ..		2044-7/8	

ACCOUNT SALE of the HONBLE COMPANY'S MADEIRA WINE AT PUBLICK OUTCRY—*cont.*

Time of Sale.	Quality of the Goods.	Lot or Quantity.	Invoice Price.	Price put up at.	Price sold at.	Amount of the Lot.	To whom sold.
					Brought over ..	2044-7/8	
August 23d. 1753.	Madeira Wine.	Pipe 1.	Pags. 44 31 10	Pags. 59	..	Pags. 67	Mr. Troutback.
		Do.	— — —			65½	Coja Onnis.
		Do.	— — —			67	Coja Shawmeer.
		Do.	— — —			66½	Mr. Munro.
		Do.	— — —			65	Mr. Smith.
		Do.	— — —			67	Coja Shawmier.
		Do.	— — —			67½	Coja Miguel.
		Do.	— — —			70½	Mr, Brohier.
		Do.	— — —			65¾	Coja Muckatoon.
		Do.	— — —			67	Mr. Brohier.
		Do.	— — —			68	Coja Muckatoon.
		Do.	— — —			68	Mr. Wynch.
		Do.	— — —			69	Mr. Turner.
		Do.	— — —			70	Coja Miguel.
		Do.	— — —			70	Mr. Boddam.
		Do.	— — —			70	Do.
		Do.	— — —			70	Mr. Pero.
		Do.	— — —			70	Mr. Boddam.
		Do.	— — —			70	Mr. Murphy.
		Do.	— — —			71	Mr. Dencker.
		Do.	— — —			71	Mr. Murphy.
		Do.	— — —			72	Mr. Troutback.
		Do.	— — —			73	Coja Muckatoon.
		Do.	— — —			74	Mr. Brohier.
		Do.	— — —			74	Mr. Murphy.
		Do.	— — —			74	Coja Muckatoon.
		Do.	— — —			75	Do.
		Do.	— — —			74	Coja Shawmeer.
		Do.	— — —			75	Coja Muckatoon.
		Do.	— — —			75	Do.
		Do.	— — —			76	Do.
		Do.	— — —			74	Mr. Stratton.
		Do.	— — —			75	Coja Shawmeer.
		Do.	— — —			75	Coja Muckatoon.
		Do.	— — —			76	Mr. Brohier.
		Do.	— — —			75	Mr. Murphy.
		Do.	— — —			74	Captn. Clerk.
		Do.	— — —			75	Captain Morgan.
					Carried Over Pagodas ..	4746-5/8	

ACCOUNT SALE of the HONBLE COMPANY'S MADEIRA WINE AT PUBLIC OUTCRY—*cont.*

Time of sale.	Quality of the Goods.	Lot or Quantity.	Invoice Price	Price put up at.	Price sold at.	Amount of the Lot.	To whom sold.
					Brought Over .. Pags. 4746-5/8		
August 23d. 1753.	Madeira Wine.	Pipe 1.	Pags. 44 31 10	Pags 59		76	Coja Muckatoon.
		Do.	— — —			74	Coja Stephen.
		Do.	— — —			77	Mr. Hendrick Smith.
		Do.	— — —			77	Mr. Turner.
		Do.	— — —			72	Mr. Troutback.
		Do.	— — —			74	Captn. Morgan.
		Do.	— — —			75	Coja Shawmeer.
		Do.	— — —			74	Coja Muckatoon.
		Do.	— — —			76	Coja Muckatoon.
		Do.	— — —			74	Mr. Smith.
		Do.	— — —			75	Captn. Morgan.
		Do.	— — —			75	Mr. Smith.
		Do.	— — —			76	Mr. Munro.
		Do.	— — —			73	Mr. Boudam.
		Do.	— — —			75	Coja Muckatoon.
		Do.	— — —			74	Mr. Boddam.
		Do.	— — —			74	James Calvinier.
		Do.	— — —			75	Mr. Broyer.
		Do.	— — —			72	Mr. Smith.
		Do.	— — —			72	Mr. Brohier.
		Do.	— — —			72	Mr. Boddam.
		Do.	— — —			71	Mr. Wynch.
		Do.	— — —			70	Serjt. Low.
		Do.	— — —			69	M. Wynch.
		Do.	— — —			68	Vellapah.
		Do.	— — —			69	Captain Sanderson.
		Do.	— — —			69	Coja Muckatoon.
		Do.	— — —			68	Mr. Whitehill.
		Do.	— — —			68	Comrapah.
		Do.	— — —			69	Do.
					Pagodas ..	6,929-5/8	

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AUGUST 23D. 1753.

ERRORS EXCEPTED
HENRY POWNEY.
Import Warehousek.

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To the Honble Thomas Saunders Esq^r^.
Presid^t^. & Gov^r^. &c^a^. Council of
Fort S^t^. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs,

Agreeable to our Instructions we now enclose for your Inspection a List of Fees for the Officers of the Court of Requests. In the appointing them, We have chiefly consulted what is usual in Courts of the like Nature in England and at the same time had the strictest Regard to the Honble Companys Directions to make them as moderate as possible. Your Honour &c^a^ will please to acquaint us with any alterations you may think necessary.

As the most of our Business will lie among the Natives, an Interpreter is absolutely necessary, but as the permitting him to receive Fees will be a further addition to the charges of the Court, we have positively forbid it, and in Lieu thereof beg Leave to recommend him to your Honour &c^a^. for an allowance of Three Pagodas a Month. We must also request four Talliars for the service of the Court.

We are very Respectfully
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obed^t^. Humble Servants

Hugh Norris.
Henry Vansittart.
[*Vacant*].
James Alexander.
Charles Simson.
Ja^s^. Bourchier.
James Munro.

Fort S^t^. George
23^rd^. August 1753.

List of Fees for the Officers of the Court of Requests.

Clerks Fees.

	Fanams.
For every summons	2
For calling the Cause	1
For a Nonsuit on the Plaintiffs not appearing	4
For a Copy of every Judgement of Nonsuit to be serv'd ..	2
For a Copy of every Order upon a Hearing Exparte.. ..	2
For an Attachment	2
For an Execution	3
For paying Money into Court	2
For every Hearing	1
For acknowledging satisfaction in full ..	2
For searching the Books	1

Beadles Fees.

For serving a summons	1
For Calling the Cause	1
For serving every Judgement of Nonsuit	1
For serving an Order upon hearing Exparte	1
For serving an attachment	3
For levying an Execution	4
To the Braminey attending to administer Oaths, for every Cause.	2

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This Morning anchored in the Road the Honble Companys Ship Dragon Captn. Henry Kent from England and Madagascar with a Packet for this Presidency. 28

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVR. PRESt.
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXR. WYNCH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

TUESDAY THE 28TH.

MR. SMITH *absent.*

The Book of standing Orders lying on the Table.

Packet from England p Dragon opened.

The Packet from England for this Presidency being open'd, compared with the List & found to agree therewith, The General Letter from the Honble Court of Directors therein contained dated the 25th. October 1752 was then read, Duplicate & Triplicate whereof have been before received p Clinton & Harcourt.

Letter from Mr. Secretar James read

Letter from Mr. Secretary James dated 27th. October 1752 is also read serving to enclose a Manifest of Mr. George Steward's private adventure on board the Dragon.

Letter from Captn. Kent & Michael Morgan.

N. 142 Letter from Captain Henry Kent and Mr. Michael Morgan agents for Purchasing a Cargo of slaves at Madagascar dated at Massalege the 23d. July read, advising that they have consigned to Us by Invoice & Bill of Lading a Cargo of slaves in the Dragon, and also the Remainder of the Slaving Cargo.

And the said Invoice being referr'd to contains an account of Ninety six Slaves, Vizt. : Fifty Eight (58) Men, Twenty six (26) Women, two (2) Boys, Nine (9) Men Boys, and One (1) Girl.

165 Slaves on board the Dragon.

Captain Kent attending acquaints the Board that besides the abovemention'd Slaves, There are on board the Dragon sixty Nine (69) Slaves whom he received from Captain Bell of the Swallow at Madagascar which vessell he left there trading for more.

Slaves to be landed Victuall'd &ca.

ORDER'D That all the slaves on board the Dragon amounting together to One hundred and sixty five (165) be landed and that they be dieted in the usual Manner untill the Men can be incorporated in the Military, and that the several Orders and Regulations made last Year on the Arrival of the Delawar in Regard to the Slaves in General & particularly the Coffree Women landed out of that ship be strictly observed in Respect to those brought in the Dragon.

VIDE Consultatn. 1 Septr. 1752.

Order signed for landing the slaves & Madagascar cargo.

An Order to Captn. Kent is accordingly now signed for the Delivery of the said slaves and also the remaining Part of his Madagascar Cargo.

Diary & slaving accott. deliver'd in.

Captain Kent delivers in to the Board a Diary & slaving account signed by himself & Mr. Michael Morgan.

Captn. Kent & Mr. Morgan to give their Reasons why they have not brought a Full cargo of Slaves.

Captain Kent being ordered [. . .] his Instructions to purchase a Cargo of Five Hundred slaves, ORDER'D That He deliver in to the Board in Writing the Reasons why those Instructions have not been complied with signed by himself and Mr. Michael Morgan.

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Mayors Court request an advance of Cash.

A Letter from the Mayor and Aldermen read as enter'd hereafter, desiring that six hundred Pagodas may be advanced them for the necessary Expences & Charges of the Corporation & to account.

Granted.

AGREED That the said sum be advanced them accordingly, and Carried to account in the General Books under the Head of Mayors Court to be opened for that Purpose.

Dispatches to Bengal ℔ Egmont signed.

General Letter dated this Day to the President & Council of Bengal to go by the Egmont and Captain Tolsons Dispatch are now signed agreeable to Resolution in Consultation Yesterday.

Those ℔ Elizabeth to be prepared.

ORDER'D that the Dispatches be prepared for the Elizabeth.

Mrs. Medeiros's House in the Road to St. Thome' to be purchased for the President.

It having been always usual for the Company to allow the President a House in the Country to retire to, and Mrs. Medeiros being willing to dispose of her House situated in the Road to St. Thome' for three thousand five hundred Pagodas, AGREED That it be purchased accordingly, The Companys Garden House having been demolish'd by the French when they were in Possession of this Place & Mrs. Medeiros's being convenient for that Purpose, and on a survey esteem'd worth much more than the sum 'tis offer'd at.

Mr. Bourchier desires Leave to resign the Secretarys Employ.

Mr. Charles Bourchier applying to the Board for Permission to resign the Secretary's Employ, having for some time past been in but an indifferent State of Health whereby he finds himself incapable of Giving the necessary attendance to the Business of that Office, which of late is much encreased, They very readily acquiesce. Mr. Wynch thereupon gives up the Military storehouse, and Mr. Bourchier is order'd to take Charge of it the first of next Month. But as the Dispatch to Europe draws near, It is Judged proper That He continue Secretary, till that is over, when, IT'S AGREED That Mr. Josias Du Pre' at present sub secretary, do succeed him in that Office, and that Mr. Claud Russell be appointed to act then as Sub-Secretary.

THOS. SAUNDERS.
CHAS. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR. WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CHS. BOURCHIER.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR &CA. COUNCIL OF
FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS,

We beg you will please to advance the sum of six hundred (600) Pagodas for the necessary Expences & Charges of the Corporation which shall be duely accounted for.

We are
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedt, hble Servts.
WILLM. PERCEVAL *Mayor.*
JOHN WALSH.
ANDREW MUNRO.
RICHD. FAIRFIELD.
EDWARD EDWARDS.
JOHN SMITH.
JOHN BROWNING.

TOWN HALL, MADRASPATNAM
AUGUST 28TH. 1753.

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Sailed the Hoñble Company's ship Egmont Captain Thomas Tolson for Bengal with General Letter to the President & Council there dated 28th. Instant. 29

Arrived snow Northumberland, John Durand from Mocha. —

Dº. The Hoñble Company's Sloop Dragon, Vilabou syrang from Fort Stt. David, with a General Letter from the Deputy Governour & Council there dated, 26th. Instant.

Sent by Tappies Genl. Letter to the Deputy Governour & Council of Fort Stt. David dated this Day. —

Receiv'd, by Pattamar Genl. Letters, from Ingeram dated 9th. from Bandarmalka 17th. Instt. 30

Receiv'd by Tappies Genl. Letter from Fort Stt. David dated 28th. Instant. 31

Sailed the Hoñble Company's ship Elizabeth Captn. Edward Wills for Bengal with a General Letter to the President & Council dated the 31st. Ultº. SEPTEMBER 1

Received by Tappies Genl. Letter from Fort Stt. David dated 30th. Ultº.

Sailed Sloop Mary Anne, Aseem Condou for Fort Stt. David.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVR. PRESEDT. — TUESDAY THE 4TH.
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXR. WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

The Book of standing Orders lying on the Table.

The two last Consultations read & signed.

General Letters read Vizt.

N. 143. N. 146. & N. 147 from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort Stt. David, the first dated the 26th. August advising that they have sent us on the Hoñble Companys sloop Dragon Forty two Bales, Bill of Loading & Invoice, for which they enclose, that Major Lawrence having desired the Detachment under the Command of Captñ Ridge, to join him they had given Orders for that Purpose, and desiring their Indent for Broad Cloth and Stationary ware may be fully complied with, The second dated the 28th. Ultº. enclosing an account of Guns Mortars &cª. at that settlement and DeveCotah with their weights and Places where mounted also List of stores supplied sloops Syren & Dragon and desiring to be supplied, with forty Peices of Wax Cloth to be sent to Camp. The Third dated, the 30th. Ultº. advising that they have drawn on Us for Two hundred Pagodas (200) payable to John Smith Esqr. value received into the Hoñble Company's Cash of Thomas Cooke Esqr. Genl. Letter from Fort St. David read.

N. 144 From Mr. Foss Westcott at Ingeram dated the 9th. Ultimo acknowledging the Receipt of our Letter by the Syren, and in answer thereto acquainting us that he will comply with our Orders in Relation to the Ground in Dispute but that the Paddy cannot be returned the Freshes having carried it away. That the supply of Cash sent him will be sufficient as the Cloth brought in is so bad that he has been able to collect only about forty four Bales of proper sortments. That the French have begun to Coin Dubbs * at Metchelpatam which has lower'd the Price, and if they should fall to their old Price, which he thinks probable the Merchants have promised to bring in as much Cloth as he will contract for by Christmas of a good Manufacture. That he will observe Genl. Letter from Ingeram.

* A small copper coin—Hobson-Jobson, p. 327.

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in making advances to the Merchants to retain a sufficiency of Cash for his Expences, That he will dispatch a vessell to Us with his Bales the latter End of August, and that Captain Grant will take Passage on her. That he will agreeable to our Order apply to Vizagapatam for Gun Powder, enclosing monthly Extract Journal Parcels & Cash account for last Month.

Genl. Letter from Bandarmalanka.

N. 145. from Mr. John Andrews at Bandarmalanka dated the 17th. Ultimo, acknowledging the Receipt of our Letter of the 27th. Ultimo and the supply of Cash which he gives Hopes he shall be able to invest and send us by January, and acquaints us that the French are endeavouring at an Investment that way having advanced large sums to the Merchants and take in all sorts of Cloth without measuring or sorting that however he should be able to keep his Ground, if he was not so strictly confined to both those Particulars, but even as it is he hopes We shall have no Cause to complain. That Mr. Heath is at Madapollam, but as soon as he can return he will order him to proceed to Vizagapatam and in Case Colonel Scott should be gone will wait our further Orders.

Fort St. David to be wrote to.

Resolv'd That in the next Genl. Letter to Fort St. David, The Gentlemen be acquainted that they should have sent us the account of sundries supplied the Syren when that Vessell, returned hither that We might have forwarded it to the Gentlemen at the Bay with the other accounts of that sloop.

Bandarmalanka to be wrote to.

Resolved that in the next General Letter to Mr. Andrews at Bandarmalanka, he be acquainted that the Conduct of the French in taking in all sorts of Cloth that offer without measuring or sorting is on no account to engage him in the like Practise but that We recommend to him to be very attentive to the Quantity of the Manufacture, and at the same Time to use all the Means he can to procure a large Quantity.

Freight for the sloop Dragon to Galé to be demanded of Captn. Winter.

Resolv'd That the Freight of the Honble Companys sloop Dragon be demanded of Captn. Winter, for carrying him, the late Captn. Dominicus &ca. from Fort St. David, to Galé where the Delawar refitted after the October storm, and that the sum to be demanded on that account be double the amount of all the sloops Expences thither & back again.

That Sloop to have Credit for the several Trips.

Order'd That the said Sloop be credited in the Genl. Books for the said, Freight and for the several Trips between this Place and Fort St. David with Bales stores &ca.

Remains of the Delawars Madagascar Cargo & old Stores returned from Marlbro to be sold at Outcry.

Order'd That the remaining Part of the Delawars Madagascar Cargo and the old Stores return'd to us on that ship from Fort Marlbro be sold at Publick Outcry for the most they will fetch.

Redwood to be sent to the Bay ℔ Dragon.

Resolv'd That as much Redwood as the Dragon can take in be sent on her to the Gentlemen at the Bay.

Export Wareho.kr. represents the Redwood very bad.

The Export Warehousekeeper acquaints the Board that the Redwood lying here belonging to the Company as well as that sent to Europe last Year, and some lately consigned to the Bay is so indifferent in Quality that it had been in general remark'd, by the several Europe Commanders, and that he thinks himself obliged, in his own Justification, to make this Representation, as the said Redwood was purchased at this settlement when it was a subordinacy by the Gentlemen then in Charge of it, Order'd That in future all the Redwood purchased on the Company's account be very carefully examined and that none be taken in but of the best sort.

15 ℔ Cent on the Invoice Price of the Copper offer'd.

The President acquaints the Board that since the Company's Copper had been put up at Publick Outcry but not sold for Want of Bidders, he had been offer'd 15 ℔ Cent upon the Invoice Price at Eight shillings ℔ Pagoda for the whole Quantity by Armagarey Chittee, Kellava Chittee, Mootoo Comrapah Chittee, Papu Chittee & Bussoopah Chittee Comrapah.

rejected.

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Altho the Price offer'd for the Copper is more than it is imagined, it will fetch at Outcry, yet as the Company's Directions in their General Letter dated the 8th. Decr. 1749 are positively that all their Goods without Exception be sold at Publick Outcry and again in the 18th. Paragraph of their Commands dated 24th. Janry. 1753, it is repeated that those Orders must on no Pretence, whatsoever be deviated from. Resolv'd Therefore that the Copper be again tryed at Outcry agreeable to Resolutions in Consultation the 13th. Ultimo.

Reasons for it.

Order'd to be put up at Outcry.

The several Members of the Board agreeable to Resolution in Consultation the 9th. June having used their best Endeavours tho ineffectually to re-let the Poonamalee Country on the same or better Terms than are stipulated in the Last Cowle, which expired the 1st. July, The President now acquaints the Board that the best Proposals he had received were from one Rayal Pundet a substantial Braminey Inhabitant of Trivaloor who had offer'd to rent the said Country for one year at Thirty five thousand Pagodas (35000) and to repair the Tanks which are greatly damaged & impaired at his own Charge, The Expence whereof is estimated at two Thousand (2000) Pagodas, provided the Preference be given him of farming it again the succeeding Year or in Default of such Preference that his Expences in the Repairs be allowed him, which Terms, as they are by much the best that have been offer'd The Board consent to, and a Cowle is order'd to be prepared accordingly for one Year to commence from the 1st. of July last, and that sufficient security be taken for Performance of Covenants.

Poonamalee Country let to Farm for 1 year from 1st July last for 3500 Ps with some further Conditions.

The President acquaints the Board that the Noquedah[1] of the King of Pegue's ship had acquainted him by Letter that the ship was in Readyness to sail, and desired that he might be permitted to depart, Agreed That the Noquedah be prevailed on if possible to stay a few days under Pretence of preparing our Dispatches to the King, in which time the Colechester may possibly arrive with Advices from the Negrais.

Noquedah of the King of Pegue's ship desires Leave to sail.

To be desired to stay a few days.

The Export Warehousekeeper delivers in an account (as enter'd hereafter) of the Cost of a Rich * Palankeen intended as a Present from the Company to the King of Pegue and another for his Brother Apporazah, The first amounting to Eleven hundred & forty four Pagodas, Twenty six Fans. & fifty Cash and the other to Pags. 319. 11. 21.

*Vide Extraordinary Occurrences 9th. April.

Order'd that the said Account be paid the said Palankeens having been view'd by the several Members of the Board who are of opinion that altho the Cost of the Things is very large yet as it is a rich and curious Piece of Workmanship it is worth the Price.

Letter from Mr. John Brohier read as enter'd hereafter acquainting the Board that Colonel Scott having appointed Lieutt. Robert Barker to act under him as an Engineer, had also directed him to apply on his Behalf for an allowance as such also representing that the Nature of his Employ as Engineer requires that he should have a Palankeen & Horse to attend the Works, and that he apprehends the Company's Promise, of a future Recompense, for his services do not debar him what necessary allowances the service may require

Mr. Brohier desires Mr. Barker assistant under him may have an allowance

and that Himself may be allowed a Palankeen & Horse.

Resolved That Fifteen Pagodas ℔ Month be allowed Mr. Barker as an Assistant under Mr. Brohier, but with Respect to Mr. Brohiers Request for a Palankeen and Horse, 'tis the Opinion of the Board that it is improper to be complied with, as Our Honble Masters in the 50th. Paragraph of their Genl. Letter dated 15th. Decr. acquaint us they have promoted Mr. Brohier to the Command of one of the Artillary Company's " to shew their sense of his past

15 Pag. ℔ Month allowed Mr. Barker.

No allowance to be made Mr. Brohier.

[1] Master of a native vessel.

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services ''—'' and in Consideration of his continuing to exert himself in the Capacity of an Engineer '' and again in the 54th. Paragraph of their Commands dated 24th. January—'' That he may depend on being properly consider'd when he has made a further Progress in the Works.''

A Letter from the Mayor's Court with a List of Fees. approv'd & signed.

A Letter from the Mayor and Aldermen read as enter'd hereafter accompanying a Table of Fees to be taken in Causes before the said Court, The same being perused & compared with a List of those allowed whilst the old Charter subsisted, The Board approve thereof, and the List is accordingly now sign'd by the President agreeable to the Directions of the Charter.

Court of Requests desire an allowance for a Beadle, also a Prison, & an Office for their Clerk.

A Letter from the Commissioners of the Court of Requests read as enter'd hereafter requesting that two Pagodas ℔ Month may be allowed the Beadle of the Court as the Fees are not a sufficient Recompense desiring also that a proper Prison may be appointed for the use of the Court and Publick Office for the Clerk.

Order thereon.

AGREED That two Pagodas ℔ Month to the Beadle, be allowed as desired, and that proper Places for an Office for the Clerk and a Prison for the Debtors be prepared as soon as it conveniently can be done.

Bill from Fort St. David to be paid.

A Bill of Exchange drawn from Fort St. David for two hundred (200) Pagodas payable to John Smith Esqr. Value of Thos. Cooke Esqr. being presented to the Board, ORDER'D That it be accepted and paid when due.

Advance to the Painters.

There being a Ballance of two thousand Pagodas due to Tonnapah &ca. Painters on their last years Account, ORDER'D that the same be paid them, and that Five thousand (5000) Pagodas more be advanced on Account of the Companys Investment.

Cash account read.

The President reads the Cash Account for last Month, Ballance remaining compared with the Chest Eighteen thousand five hundred and fifty six Current Pagodas, sixteen Fanams and thirty seven Cash (18556. 16. 37) which is carried forward.

Treasury accounts read.

The Treasury accounts for last Month are also read as enter'd hereafter Ballance remaining compared with the Chest six hundred & Eighteen thousand four hundred and twenty six Arcot Rupees, twelve anaes and seven Pice (A. Rs. 618426. 12. 7) which is carried forward.

Sea Customer pays in on his last Months Ballance.

Henry Powney Sea Customer pays in One thousand five hundred (1500) Pagodas in part of the Ballance of that account for last Month.

Money paid in for Rupees sold which is advanced to the Commissary.

Henry Powney Import Warehousekeeper pays in Three thousand, Eight hundred and Eighty Eight Pagodas, thirty two Fanams (3888. 32.) on account of Rupees sold, which sum is now advanced the Commissary to defray the charges of the Troops.

AGREED That the following Advances be also made.

Advances To the Paymaster.

To the Paymaster for the Charges of that Employ Five thousand two hundred and seventy Pagodas Nine fanams & fifty nine Cash (5270. 9. 59).

THOS: SAUNDERS.
CHAS: BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR: WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CHS: BOURCHIER.

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To The Honble Thomas Saunders Esq^R^.
President & Governour of
Fort S^T^: George.

Honble Sir

Colonel Scott having appointed Lieut^t^. Robert Barker as Engineer under me at this Place, and directed me to apply to You for an Allowance of Pay as such; I take the Liberty to do it, and to put you in mind of the want of Cooleys We, are in to secure our Works and the Island against the approaching Monsoon.

I beg Leave at the same time to represent to You Sir, that I conceive I am the only Person in the station I have the Honour to serve the Company that ever was without the common allowances of Horse and Palankeen, which the Company's Works by their situation require, and my present state of Health does not permitt me to be without, Pardon me, Sir, for troubling you with this Remonstrance, as I believe the Honble Company's Orders or Promises of a future Recompense for my services, do not debarr me of what necessary allowances you may think the Exigencies of the service require.

Humbly submitting this to Your superior Judgement I am with profound Respect

Honble Sir
Your most Obedient
& most Obliged Servant
John Brohier.

Fort S^T^: George
Sept^R^. 3^D^. 1753.

Fort St. George, August 1753.

Dr. The Honble United Company's Cash

1	To Ballance brought from last Month's Account .. .. Pags.	33,617	32	9
6	To Henry Powney Sea Customer received of him on his running account	2,000	—	—
13	To Alexr. Wynch Storekeeper receiv'd of him on his running Account	6,000	—	—
—	To Linga Chittee, and Subramoney Moodelaire Renters of St. Thome receiv'd for one years Rent of that Cowle due the 1st. December last	4,000	—	—
—	To Henry Powney Sea Customer receiv'd of him further on his running account ..	1,000	—	—
—	To Henry Powney Impo. Wareho.kr. receiv'd of him on his Running account.	24000	—	—
20	To Henry Powney Impo. Wareho.kr. receiv'd of him further on his Running account	25000	—	—
27	To Alexr. Wynch Storekeeper receiv'd of him in part of the Ballance of that account last Month	1000	—	—
	To John Smith Land Customer receiv'd of him the Ballance of that account for last Month	964	16	—
—	To Henry Powney Sea Customer receiv'd of him in Part of the Ballance of that Account for last Month	1000	—	—
—	To Henry Powney Impo. Wareho.kr. receiv'd of him on accott. of Rupees sold.	28324	11	54
	To Linga Chittee and Gruapah Farmers of the Company's Old Garden receiv'd one Years Rent due the 1st. Decr. last ..	250	—	—
	To Linga Chittee and Gruapah Farmers of the Paddy Fields & salt Pans received One Years Rent due the 1st. of December last	750	—	—
	To Confiscated Houses Received Rent of the following Vizt: —			
	Carried Over ..	127906	23	63

Cr. Contra.

2	By John Smith Military Paymaster advanced him to pay the Military .. .. Pags:	2000	—	—
	By Chas. Boddam Paymaster advanced him for defraying the Charges of that Employ..	7,270	9	59
—	By Linga Chittee, Servanah Chittee, Tellasinga Chittee and Gundaveddy Vencata Ramah Chittee advanced them for the Provisions of Fine Goods as ℔ Consultation of this Date.	20,000	—	—
13	By Mr. Lewis de Medeiros deceased paid his Executors the Revd. Father Severini and Antonia Carvalho de Medeiros in full of the late President & Council their Bond to him dated 18th July 1745—			
	Principal .. .. Pags. 15000 — —			
	Interest thereon to this Day (Interest for 1 Year being discharged before the Loss of the Place) is yrs. days. 7 15 allows. 11 days for the Difference of stile @ 8 ℔ Cent ℔ annum.. 8450 — —	23450	0	0
15	By Fort Marlbro, paid the 'mount of Certificates granted by the Deputy Governour and Council for sums paid into the Honble Company's Cash there as ℔ their Letter of the 25th. June and Consultation of this Date Vizt :—			

Certificates.

for Dollars	Granted to	Paid here to	Pags.	Fa.	Cash.
3789	Robt. Hindley Esqr.		2526	—	—
500	John Williams.	Thos. Saunders Esqr.	333	12	—
2981	John Massey.		1987	12	—
		Carried Over	2320	24	—

	52720	9 59
	52720	9 59

THE HONBLE UNITED COMPANY'S CASH—*cont.*

	Brought Over ..			127906	23 63
	Of one in Choultry Gate street inhabited two Months by Mr. Turing & two Months & a half by Mr. Munro Pags. ..	45	— —		
	Of One in Charles Street inhabited two Months & a half by Mr. Moses.	25	— —		
	Of One in Choultry Gate street inhabited six Months by Coja Miguel de Gregorio ..	60	— —		
				130	— —
	Carried Over ..			128036	23 63

℔ CONTRA—*cont.*

					Cr.		
	Brought Over			2320	24 —	52720	9 59
1050	Captn. Edwd. Burman Messrs. Wynch & Bourchier on Accott. Captn. Burman.			700	— —		
1021	2 60	The Attorney of Rogr. Carter Charles Bourchier ..		681	3 48		
9341	2 60	Dollars at 15 ℔ 10 Pagodas.				6227	27 48
20	By John Smith Military Paymaster advanced him for the Charges of that Employ ..					1000	— —
	By Alexr. Wynch Military Storekeeper advanced him for Disbursements					500	— —
	By Fort St. David, sent thither ℔ Delawar by Order of Consultation the 14th. Instant ..					25000	— —
27	By Alexr. Wynch Military Storekeeper advanced him for Disbursements					550	— —
	By Alexr. Wynch Commissary advanced him to defray the Expences of the Troops abroad.					12324	11 54
	By John Smith Military Paymaster advanced him for the charges of that Employ ..					1000	— —
	By Charges Boddam Export Warehousekeeper advanced him for Disbursements					2400	— —
	By Fort Marlbro, paid Messrs. Walsh & Vansittart, two Certificates of the Gentlemen there for Moneys paid into the Honble Company's Cash as ℔ Genl. Letter from thence of the 25th. June & Consultation of the 20th. Instant @ 15 Dollars ℔ 10 Pags. Vizt:						
	Carried Over ..					101722	13 1

Dr. THE HONBLE UNITED COMPAN'YS CASH—*cont.*

	Brought Over ..		128036	23	63			
	Star or Currt. Pags. ..		1,28,036	23	63			

℔ CONTRA—*cont.* Cr.

	Brought Over ..				101722	13	1
	Certificate. 1 for 7500 / 1 3000 } Pags. paid in there by Mr. Thos. Combs..	5000	—	—			
		2000	—	—			
	2 Certs. for 10,500 Dollars amounting to...				7000	—	—
	By Fort St. David paid a Bill of Ex-change drawn by the Deputy Govr. & Council, in favour of Mr. Willm. Percival dated the 18th. Instant for Money paid into the Honble Company's Cash there by Thos. Cooke Esqr.				157	30	25
28	By the Mayor's Court advanced the Mayor & Aldermen for the necessary Disbursements of the Court as ℔ Order of Consultation of this Date				600	—	—
					109480	7	26
31	By Ballance carried to next Months Account.				18556	16	37
	Starr or Currt. Pags. ..				128036	23	63

MADRASS PAGODAS

Dr. Cr.

1	To Ballance brought from last Month's Account.	520	—	—	31	By Ballance carried to next Months Account ..	520	—	—

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To the Honble Thomas Saunders Esqr.
President and Governour &ca. Council,
of Fort St: George.

Honble Sir & Sir

As We find the Fees of the Court will not be a sufficient Recompense for the Service, of the Beadle, We must request your Honour &ca. will allow him two Pagodas ℔ Month as it's Customary in the Mayors Court to give their Officers a fixed sallary.

We are also to desire that Your Honour &ca. will be pleased to appoint a proper Prison for the Use of the Court, and a Publick Office for the Clerk.

We are very respectfully
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedt. Hum. Servts.
Hugh Norris.
Henry Vansittart.
Chas. Turner.
James Alexander.
Chas: Simpson.
James Bourchier.
James Munro.
Francis Taylor.

Fort St: George,
4 September 1753.

Treasury Accounts, Fort St. George, August 1753.

Silver.

Dr.

1753.		Chests.	lb.	oz.
Augt. 1st.	To Ballance brought from last Month	20	5813	4 —
7	To Account Current London ℔ ship Winchelsea	30	8720	— —
	Chests ..	50	14533	4 —

Cr.

1753.		Chests.	lb.	oz.
Augt. 7	By Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master deliver'd to be coined ..	20	5813	4
11	By Bengal Presidency ℔ Portfield ..	10	2906	8
12	By Do. ℔ Winchelsea.	10	2906	8
13	By Do. ℔ Falmouth ..	10	2906	8
	Chests ..	50	14533	4

Errors Excepted.
℔ Thos. Saunders.
Chas : Boddam.
Henry Powney.

Current Pagodas.

Dr.

1753.				
Augt. 1	To Ballance brought from last Month ..		5000	— —
4	To Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master receivd of him		5000	— —
6	To Do.	Do.	10000	— —
10	To Do.	do.	10000	— —
11	To Do.	do.	7000	— —
15	To Do.	do.	10000	— —
20	To Do.	do.	17000	— —
29	To Do.	do.	4000	— —
	To Import Warehouse keeper receiv'd of him		5000	— —
			73000	— —

Cr.

1753.				
Augt. 13	By the Honble Companys Cash paid, paid in		24000	— —
20	By Do.	do.	25000	— —
27	By Do.	do.	24000	— —
			73000	— —

Errors Excepted.
℔ Thos : Saunders.
Chas : Boddam.
Henry Powney.

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Arcot Rupees

Dr.					Cr.			
1753.					1753.			
Augt. 1	To Ballance brought from last Month ..	52,426	12	7	Augt. 11	By Bengal Presidency ℔ Ship Portfield.	80,000	— —
11	To Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master recd	80,000	—	—	12	By Do. ℔ ship Winchelsea.	80,000	— —
12	To Do. do.	80,000	—	—	25	By Fort St. David ℔ ship Delawar ..	50,000	— —
25	To Do. do.	640,000	—	—	27	By Import Warehouse deliver'd him for Sale	16,000	— —
					31	By Bengal Presidency ℔ ship Elizabeth.	8,000	— —
							234,000	— —
					..	By Ballance	618,426	12 7
		852,426	12	7			852,426	12 7

Errors Excepted.
℔ Thos : Saunders.
Chas : Boddam.
Henry Powney.

Madrass Rupees.

Dr.					Cr.			
1753.					1753.			
Augt. 1	To Ballance brought from last Month ..	173544	—	—	Augt. 11.	By Bengal Presidency ℔ Ship Portfield ..	240000	— —
11	To Thos. Saunders Esqr. Mint Master received of him	240000	—	—	12	By Do. ℔ ship Winchelsea.	240000	— —
12	To Do. do.	224000	—	—	28	By Do. ℔ ship Egmont ..	80000	— —
					31	By Do. ℔ ship Elizabeth..	77544	— —
		637544	—	—			637544	— —

Errors Excepted.
℔ Thos : Saunders.
Chas : Boddam.
Henry Powney.

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PARTICULARS of a Palankeen provided for the King of Pegue by Order of Consultation Viz^{t}.

	Md. lb.					
To 4 P^{s}. Ivory W^{t}.	8 7	.. ..	Pag^{s}.	51	18 —	
To 1 large Teak Plank		.. .. ..		7	— —	
To Tortoishell 2 viss		.. .. ..		7	27 —	
To 3¼ Viss Glue	.. ..			2	— —	
						68 9 —
To Fine silver for the whole working Oz.		350 —				
To D^{o}. lost in working		16 10				
		Oz. 366 10 or				
Seer 40 15/16 @ Pag^{s}. 6¾ ℔ Seer				276	11 65	
To Charges on working @ Pag^{s}. 1½ ℔ Seer ..				61	14 50	
						337 26 35
	Wt.	Ps.				
To Fine Gold for guilding R^{s}.	32	@ 5 each ..		160	— —	
To 8 Rubies for 4 Bird Eyes for the stands of the feet				4	— —	
To Fine Gold for the same				3	18 —	
						167 18 —
To Carpenters and sawers work				83	— —	
To Painting Stuff & Painters				5	— —	
To Iron & Smiths Work				3	— —	
To Fine Gold to lay under the Tortoishell ..				2	— —	
						93 — —
To 6 Yards of fine Scarlet for Pingery ..				12	— —	
To 2 P^{cs}. of fine Velvets				30	— —	
To Red & Green Europe D^{o}. for Pillows & Bed 9 yards				27	— —	
To 7 Yards of 3 sorts China Silk				7	— —	
To 1 Pillow embroider'd with Gold thread ..				10	— —	
To 34 Yards of Gold Lace, @ Pag^{s}. 2 ℔ Yard.				68	— —	
To 1 P^{c}. Cuttanies for Lining				1	— —	
						155 — —
To Tawsells and Pingery &c^{a}. Gold Thread Oz^{s}. 132 @ 1 3/16 ℔ Oz.				156	27 —	
To Silver Thread for D^{o}. Oz. 6 @ 1 1/16 ..				6	13 40	
To 2 Patch Ginghams for covering				7	— —	
To Raw silk for Tawsells 4 seer				7	— —	
To D^{o}. for Bamboo Strings 6½ seer ..				9	27 —	
To strings for Palankeen 7 sear with cooleys.				12	— —	
To Europe strings for D^{o}.				3	27 —	
To 2 P^{cs}. Wax Taffeties & ½ ℔c. fine Long Cloth for Lining				10	18 —	
						213 4 40
To Bamboo				20	— —	
To 6 p^{s}. Salampores for lining the Bamboo &c^{a}.				6	— —	
To Cotton 2 Viss				1	9 —	
To ½ p^{s}. Bettelas for covering Pillows and Bedding				1	18 —	
To Copper Plates for Bamboo 19 seer with working				4	9 —	
To Mootchees & Cooleys for Pingery				1	— —	
To Cooley work for the Tawsells				15	— —	
To Pingery & Tawsells Gold thread working.				6	— —	
			Carried Over	1034	21 75	

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PARTICULARS of a Palankeen provided for the King of Pegue—*cont.*

	Brought Over			1034	21	75
To Taylor for Pillows and Bedding	3	—	—			
To stick Lack	—	27	—			
				58	27	—
To 1 Viss Candles	—	31	40			
To China Gold Leaves 1500 @ Ps. 6 ℔ Mille.	9	—	—			
To 1 Palampore & a Patch Ginghams ..	3	18	—			
				13	13	40
To a Chest for Palankeen &ca.	5	—	—			
To Nails	1	18	—			
To Dammar	2	—	—			
To Oil 10 Measure	1	18	—			
To a Ps. Long Cloth	2	—	—			
To 1 Ditto	1	31	40			
To Firewood	—	13	40			
To 4 Viss Cotton	—	29	20			
To Lascars work	—	11	20			
				15	13	40
Mos. Ds.						
To 3 Servants 3 10	12	13	40			
To sundry Charges &ca.	5	—	—			
				17	13	40
To Packing &ca.				5	9	15
Pagodas ..				1144	26	50

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ERRORS EXCEPTED
℔ *Sorroff* LINGA CHITTEE.

PARTICULARS of a Palankeen provided for the Upper Rajah at Pegue by Order of Consultation Vizt:

To a Silver Mounted Palankeen with Pingaree &ca. paid Mr. Edward Edward's Bill .. .. Pags.	207	33	40
To Gold lace 24 Yards	74	—	—
To Ginghams 4 pcs. for Bulker	4	21	40
To Bamboo	5	—	—
To Taylors Work making the Bulker	—	10	—
To Cleaning & polishing the shell	—	9	—
To silk Thread for Pingary	2	2	55
To dying the strings	—	18	—
To Velvet 1 pc.	6	—	—
To Scarlet fine 3½ yards	7	—	—
To Scarlet Cloth 2 Do.	2	12	—
To Taylor making the Pingarey	—	27	—
To Tinning the Rings	—	2	40
To Gunnies 16 ps. Packing up	1	10	6
To Salampores for Lining 2 ps.	2	—	—
To Wax Cloth 1 Do.	2	27	—
To Taffety 1 Do.	2	—	—
To Taylors work for Bed and Pillows	—	18	—
Pagodas ..	319	11	21

ERRORS EXCEPTED
℔ CHARLES BODDAM.

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To The Honble Thomas Saunders Esqr.
President & Governour &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We take the Liberty to transmitt you a List of Fees of the Officers of the Mayors Court of Madraspatnam, being such as were established in the Year 1727 for your Confirmation.

We are
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient
Humble Servants

William Perceval *Mayor.*
John Walsh.
Andrew Munro.
Richard Fairfield.
Edward Edwards.
John Smith.
John Browning.

Town Hall, Madraspatnam
August 31st. 1753.

7 Received ℔ Pattamar Genl. Letter from the President & Council of Bombay dated 23d. July.

8 Arrived the Honble Companys Ship Delawar, Captn. Thomas Winter from Fort St. David with a General Letter from the Deputy Governour & Council there dated the 5th. Instant.

— Sailed Snow Northumberland, John Durand for Bengal.

— Do. Ship Dos Achoia, Sampoor Nadoss for Pegue.

— Do. Ship Elay Bux, formerly the St. Juan Baptista, Vatee Mahomud for Tennasseree.

9 Received by Tappies General Letter from Fort St. David dated 6th. Instant.

10 Do. Do. Do. dated 7th. Instt.

At a Consultation

Present

Monday the 10th.

Thomas Saunders Esqr: Govr: Presidt:
Charles Boddam. Henry Powney.
Alexr: Wynch. John Smith.
Charles Bourchier.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

Mintues of last Consultation, read and signed.

General Letters read Vizt.

Genl. Letter from Bombay read.

N. 148 From the Honble The President and Council of Bombay dated the 23d. July acknowledging the Receipt of our Letters of the 26th. & 31st. May with the Packet from England ℔ Clinton & acquainting us that as soon as they are able They will advise us in Regard to the Tonnage on their side enclosing a

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Bill of Exchange on the shroff here for One hundred & Three Thousand on [*sic*] hundred & Twenty five (103125) Arcot Rupees which they desire us to receive and forward to the Gentlemen at Bengal to whom they have already remitted sixty Thousand Rupees by the Way of Surat.

Genl. Letters from Fort St. David read.

N. 149, N. 150, and N. 151, from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort S^{t}. David, The first dated the 5th. Instant acknowledging the Receipt of our Letters of the 26th. & 29th. Ult^{o}. and acquainting us that having landed, the Timber, Treasure &c^{a}. ℔ Delawar, They return her to us, but have no Bales to send us the Dragon sloop having brought us all that were ready, and about one hundred and thirty more are at the Washers, That the Draughts on them from Tritchinopoly for five thousand (5000) Pagodas, and twenty Eight thousand (28000) Rupees with advances to the Paymaster, and Ten thousand (10000) Pagodas to Irshipa Chittee have so much exhausted the Treasure sent them ℔ Delawar, that they apprehend they shall want a further supply by the End of the Month, and hope it will be large enough to answer their Purposes till January. That the Salem Merchants whom they acquainted with our having wrote Major Lawrence for an Escort for their Cloth, impatiently wait his Answer, That M^{r}. Drake is concerned We should give so little Credit, to his Representation, in regard to his Complaints which are so much encreased as to prevent his giving in his Answer but that he will do it as soon as he is able. That they have stationed M^{r}. Alex^{r}. Baird under the Secretary and have affixed at their Gates the Advertisements We sent them regarding the Charter That Lieut^{t}. Keene agreeable to our Permission has resigned the service, That the Reverend M^{r}. Stavely takes his Passage hither on the Delawar, Enclosing a Petition from the Painters of Tripopilore, another from the Renter of the Weighing and Measuring Duty, Indent for Military stores, Invoice of Horse Furniture Their Open account Current to Ultimo April with Consultations & Monthly Papers for July. The second dated the 6th. Instant advising that they have drawn on us for One thousand Pagodas payable to Captain John Brohier value received of M^{r}. John Call. And the third dated the 7th. Instant enclosing a Letter to their Board from M^{r}. Dawsonne Drake assuring them that his Complaints are so much encreased that he is incapable of proceeding to the West-coast agreeable to our appointment, Enclosing also the opinion of the Doctors on M^{r}. Drake's Case.

Petitions of the Tripopilore Painters & Former of the measurg. Duty at St. David.

The Purport of the Petitions of the Tripopilore Painters and the Renter of the Weighing and Measuring Duty abovementioned are Viz^{t}: The first sets forth that they were formerly allowed to bring in Cloth to paint from Pondicherry, Port Novo & Negapatam which when done paid the Company a Custom on Exportation back to those Places, but this being prohibited in the year 1751 Their Goods were all bought up by the President till this Year and as they have now a large quantity on hand they pray that they may have Leave as formerly to export the same otherwise they must be inevitably ruined. The Renters Petition sets forth that when he took that Cowle, at 400 Pagodas ℔ annum, it was upon an Assurance that Fort S^{t}. David would be the Presidency and that all Grain Vessells would import there, that not only this has prov'd otherwise but the Importation of Grain from the Country is obstructed by the Troubles and even on what is brought in, The Merchants, Commanders of Vessell's &c^{a}. refuse to pay him the Customary Duty, praying therefore that he may have Leave to lay down the Cowle, or that he may be supported in collecting the Duties and a reasonable Abatement made in the Rent.

The Bill remitted [fro]m Bombay being accepted.

The President acquaints the Board that the Bill of Exchange enclosed in the General Letter from Bombay drawn at twenty Days sight had been presented, and duely accepted.

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The amount to be sent to the Bay on the Dragon.

RESOLVED that the Amount thereof be laden in Rupees on the Dragon and consigned to the President and Council of Bengal.

Bill drawn from St. David to be accepted & paid.

The Bill of Exchange drawn from Fort St. David for One thousand Pagodas payable to Mr. John Brohier as advised in the General Letter from thence dated the 6th. Instant being now presented to the Board, ORDER'D that it be accepted and paid when due.

Letter from Mr. Brohier relating to the Payment of his Company.

Materials at St. David. & Want of Bricks here.

The President lays before the Board a Letter from Mr. John Brohier representing that the Military Paymaster at Fort St. David refuses to pay his Company of Artillery according to the present Establishment for want of Orders. That the storekeeper at Fort St. David also refuses for want of Orders to take charge of the Materials in Mr. Calls hands for carrying on the works. That the works here are at stand, for want of Bricks and Cooleys.

Order thereon.

ORDER'D That Captain Brohier's Company be paid agreeable to the Regulations in the General Letter from England dated 15th. Decr. 1752 and that the Military Paymaster at Fort St. David, have proper Directions for that Purpose. That the Storekeepr. there be order'd to receive the Materials for Buildings &ca. into his Charge and that they be brought to account as was usual before Mr. Robins's Arrival. In regard to Mr. Brohiers Complaint of the Want of Brick, The Paymaster being called upon for his Reasons, acquaints the Board that no Endeavours have been wanting, that a large Number of Workmen have been constantly kept employed, and that a sufficient Quantity of Bricks would have been provided to go on with the Works, had not the unusual heavy Rains of late washed them away, and spoiled the Kilns.

St. David to be wrote to.

The Bombay Frigate a Country ship being shortly to sail for Bombay & to touch at Fort St. David AGREED that six Chests of small Arms be sent to the latter Place and that a General Letter be wrote to the Genlemen there acquainting them that they are to be deliver'd to the Governour of Tranquebar in return for the like Quantity borrow'd of them last year, and in answer to their several Letters read at this Consultation, acquainting them that we think Mr. Drake trifles with us, which We will not dispense with; and insist on Mr. Pybus's arrival (who takes Passage on the Bombay Frigate) Mr. Drake deliver over his Employs to him, and proceed hither by the first Opportunity. That we shall stand in great Need of their Bales to compleat the Delawar's Loading, They must therefore be cured as fast as possible and the Merchants press'd, to bring in Cloth faster, That we shall shortly send them a further supply of Cash That as to the Petitions of the measuring Farmer and Trepopilore Painters, The first must have all proper Assistance in collecting the Duty's which the Merchts. must be obliged to pay, and the Painters may be permitted, to dispose of the Goods they have on hand.

Bombay to be wrote to.

AGREED also that a General Letter be wrote to the President and Council of Bombay by the Bombay Frigate to advise the Receipt of their Letter of the 24th. July with the Bill of Exchange enclosed, and that we shall forward the amount to Bengal by the Dragon. That Captain Bell of the Swallow having supplied the Dragon at Madagascar with seventy one (71) Slaves we desire an Invoice of their Cost that we may bring them to Account.

Letter from Mr. John Pybus relating to Military Stores not brought to accott.

Letter from Mr. John Pybus read as enter'd hereafter in Relation to the Memorandum account of Military stores issued whilst he held that Employ which he represents were not then brought regularly to Account because the Majority of them were receiv'd from his Majesty's Commissary without any valuation, some were sent to Tritchinopoly with Directions to be returned, and others with Captn. Clive on various Expeditions which could not properly be brought under any Head, and as to the small arms deliver'd the seapoys, some

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of which having been issued so long ago at the seige of Pondichery & have never accounted for, it is probable most of them are lost or destroyed giving it as his Opinion that the best Method to settle that account will be to debit Expedition to Tritchinopoly for the Amount and Credit that Head for what may be returned.

Mr. Pybus order'd to settle that Accott. at St. David.

ORDER'D That as Mr. Pybus is shortly to proceed to St. David where he may have Recourse to all necessary Books and Papers relating to the said account, it be referr'd to him to adjust the same there, in a proper Manner.

Petition o the Company's Washers complaining of being defrauded by their Conicoplys.

A Petition of the Company's Washers read as enter'd hereafter setting forth that they have divers [*sic*] times been defrauded of upwards of 500 Pagodas by their Conicoplies who since January last have paid them only fifteen fanams for washing a Corge of Cloth altho' the Company allows Thirty five Fanams ℔ Corge, and on their employing two other Persons to examine their accounts, the said Conicoply's by the Pedanague's Means are endeavouring to turn them out of the Bounds, Praying that the said accounts may be examined, and that Justice may be done them.

Order'd to attend next Monday.

ORDER'D that the Head Men amongst the Petitioners attend the Board on Monday next the 17th. Instant, that a due Enquiry may be made, into the Truth of their Allegations.

Letter from Captn. Kent and Mr. Morgan. Reasons for not purchasing a full Cargo of slaves.

Letter from Captain Henry Kent and Mr. Michael Morgan Agents for purchasing a Cargo of Slaves at Madagascar ℔ ship Dragon read as enter'd hereafter, Giving as their Reasons for not having brought a full Cargo of five hundred or upwards agreeable to their Instructions that no more of such as were fit for the Company's service could possibly be procured.

Letter from Captn. Kent & Mr. Morgan desiring to be paid their Commission.

Letter from Captn. Henry Kent and Mr. Michael Morgan agents for purchasing a Cargo of Slaves at Madagascar ℔ ship Dragon read as enter'd hereafter desiring to be paid the Commission allowed them by the Company for the slaves landed here from that ship.

Order thereon.

ORDER'D That twenty six shillings and Eight pence a head be allowed on Ninety four slaves purchased by Captn. Kent & Mr. Morgan at Madagascar, and twenty one shillings and Eight pence on seventy one slaves that they were supplied with from the Swallow (Captain Bell being to be paid, five shillings a head on them) to be divided, between them in the Proportion settled in their Instructions by Our Honble Masters, and that the storekeeper discharge the same.

Surgeon of the Dragon's Petition for Head Money on slaves.

The Petition of Samuel Dick Surgeon of the Dragon read as enter'd hereafter, setting forth that he was Surgeon's Mate of the said ship, but the Surgeon dying when there were not more than seventeen slaves purchased, he succeeded him in that station, and having had the whole Care and Trouble of attending the slaves landed here out of that ship, he prays that the Allowance, promised by the Honble Company of five shillings a head may be paid him.

Granted.

ORDER'D That the storekeeper discharge the same, if upon Enquiry he is satisfied the Petitioner has carefully discharged his Duty.

Delawar to be dispatchd to England.

RESOLV'D That the Honble Company's ship Delawar be dispatched to England before the Monsoon sets in, if on survey she be found in a proper Condition to take in her Loading, and the Secretary is order'd to signify this Resolution to Captn. Winter that he may prepare himself & ship accordingly.

The Delawar to be survey'd. Kintlage saltpetre & Redwood to be loaded.

ORDER'D that Captn. Henry Kent, Captain Francis Taylor and the Europe Carpenters survey the Delawar, and report whether she is in a proper Condition to take in her Loading for Europe and if on such Report she shall appear to be so, The Export Warehousekeeper is directed to send, on board the Kintladge, saltpetre & Redwood.

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Sea Customer pays in on his last Months Ballance.

Henry Powney Sea Customer pays in One thousand (1000) Pagodas in further Part of the Ballance of that account for last Month.

Money paid in for Rupees sold & the same advanced the Commissary.

Henry Powney Import Warehouse keeper pays in One thousand six hundred & sixty six Pagodas twenty four fanams (1666. 24) on account of Rupees sold, which sum is now advanced the Commissary to defray the Charges of the Troops abroad.

THOS: SAUNDERS.
CHAS: BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AB: WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CHS: BOURCHIER.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST: GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I Received some time since from Mr. Secretary Bourchier by your Orders an account transmitting from FORT ST: DAVID of Military stores expended and on service during my holding that Employ not yet brought on those Books which I have been prevented from giving my Remarks on sooner by a very severe fit of Illness, but shall now as particularly as the Want of the necessary References to Books and Papers now at St. David will admitt of.

The Majority of such stores as are there inserted, were receiv'd from his Majesty's Commissary which could not be accounted for as they had not then been valued; Others sent to Tritchanopoly with Directions to be returned, and some with Captain Clive on his Expeditions which could not properly be brought under any Head then on the Books, and were therefore kept on Memorandum; Expedition to Arcot I beleive expended the Greatest Part of them, And in Relation to the Arms &ca. deliver'd at different Times to the seapoys, many of which have been continued on the Books and accounted for so long since as the seige of Pondicherry, it having been customary only to take the Officer's Receipt belonging to each Company for all such Issues. As most of them must necessarily be long since either lost broken or otherwise destroyed I take the Liberty to offer it as my Opinion that the easiest as well as most exact Method to settle that Account would be by debiting Expedition to Tritchinopoly the Amount of them as it now stands, and crediting that Head for such Part as may from time to time be returned.

I am with much Respect
HONBLE SIR AND SIRS
Your most Obedt. humble Servant
JOHN PYBUS.

FORT ST: GEORGE
THE 10TH. SEPTR. 1753.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR OF FORT ST: GEORGE &CA.
THE HUMBLE PETITION OF THE COMPANY'S WASHERS
SHEWETH

YOUR Petitioner begs Leave to inform your Honour that since February 1748 to Septr. 1750 Your Petitioner having examined the accounts of their Conicoply's found that Two of them named Ramah Kistnah and Moodoo

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squander'd away Pagodas 215, belonging to Your Petitioners for which Reason your Petitioners discharged them of their Business, since which Peddu Naig Verapa Chitty and others sent for your Petitioners and beg'd they would excuse the said Conicoply's for the first time by giving to your Petitioners a Promissary Note for Pagodas 80, and desired that they might be admitted in their Business again which your Petitioners accordingly did, since which from Octobr. 1751 to July 1753 They have again squander'd away Pags: 300 and on your Petitioners demanding of them the Reason why they would ruin Your Petitioners in that Manner, They threatens and charges your Petitioners with Falsities and brib'd the Peons of the washing Town and a few of the Washers to side with them, and admitts whom they please for the Head Washerman, and since January last they pay'd Your Petitioners no more than 15 fanams for washing a Corge of Long Cloth, Whereas they are allow'd by the Company 35 fanams ℔ Corge and on your Petitioners employing two other Conicoply's to examine into their Accounts, They, by Paddu Naigs Means strive to turn the Conicoply's out of the Bounds. Your Petitioners further begs [*sic*] Leave to impart to Your Honour that the Head Washer called Anca and one Rangapah the Company dalavy can inform your Honour the Truth of the whole Affair now Your Petitioners begs your Honour will do them Justice in the Premises, and to order the said Conicoply's accounts to be taken from them and examined wherein Your Petitioners beleive will find they have wrong'd them of as much more Money, and Your Petitioners as in duty bound

SHALL EVER PRAY.

TO THE HONBLE THE PRESIDENT AND
COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

The Reason for not complying with our Instructions in purchasing the Number of Slaves We was order'd to do by the Honble Court of Directors was, We were not capable with all our Endeavours of performing, we having bought all that was offer'd or could possibly get that was fit for the Company's Use, We could have bought many more but they must have been such as would have been of no service to the Honble Company, We are with due Respect.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your Honours most Obedient
and humble Servants at
Command
HENRY KENT.
MICHAEL MORGAN.

FORT ST: GEORGE
SEPTR. THE 9TH. 1753.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

THE HUMBLE PETITION OF SAMUEL DICK SURGEON OF THE DRAGON

SHEWETH

THAT Your Petitioner sail'd from England in the Honble Companys ship Dragon in her present Voyage as Surgeon's Mate but on the Death of Mr. Pierce the Surgeon (which happen'd at Madagascar when there were no more than seventeen slaves purchased) Your Petitioner succeeded him in that station, and has had the whole Care and Attendance on the Company's slaves from that Time till they were landed here, and as the Honble Company are pleased to promise a Gratuity of five shillings a head for as many as are delivered ashore at this Place.

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YOUR Petitioner humbly hopes your Honour &c^{a}. Council will consider him as entitled thereto, and prays that you will be pleas'd to order the Payment accordingly.

AND Your Petitioner shall ever pray &c^{a}. &c^{a}.

SAM^{L}. DICK.

TO THE HONBLE THE PRESIDENT
& COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}: GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We having it mentioned, in our Instructions from the Honble Court of Directors that the Commander should have twenty shillings and the Chief Mate six shillings & Eight Pence a head for all slaves deliver'd We hereby Petition the Honble Board for the same and are with due Respect

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your Honours most Obed^{t}.
and humble servants at
Command
HENRY KENT.
MICHAEL MORGAN.

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SEPT^{R}: THE 10TH. 1753

11 Arrived sloop Charming Fanny, Robert Holford from Fort S^{t}. David.

— Sailed ship Bombay Frigate, Henry Prittie for Fort S^{t}. David and Bombay with General Letters to the Gentlemen at both these Settlements dated this Day.

13 Sent by Peons General Letter to Fort S^{t}. David dated this day.

15 Arriv'd Ship Lisle, Christopher Oliphant, from Mocha.

— Sail'd ship Stree Vencataish, Tytadee Gungoulou for Junck Ceylone.

16 Receiv'd General Letter from Fort S^{t}. David dated 12th. Instant.

— Sail'd ship Aly Sorroff Gausee Cawn, for Tennasseree.

17 Recēd by Pattamar General Letter from Ingeram dated 24th. ultimo.

— D^{o}. D^{o}. from Bandarmalanka dated 2^{d}. Instant.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY THE 17TH. THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQ^{R}: GOV^{R}: PRESID^{T}:
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXANDER WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

The Book of standing Orders lying on the Table.

Minutes of last Consultation read & signed.

General Letters read Viz^{t}.

General Letter from Fort S^{t}. David read. N. 152 from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort S^{t}. David dated the 12th. Instant acquainting us that since their last, another Draught has been made on them from Camp for five thousand and seventy five (5075) Pagodas which they have accepted, that this has reduced their Ballance to Nine thousand two hundred Pag^{s}. (9200) which will but barely suffice to the End of the Month

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for the Charges of their Garrison, They therefore request a supply of Money to answer the Draughts that may be made from the army and to make some Advances to the Merchants, That they expect the amount of what they lately advanced Irshippa Chitty will presently be brought in, and are in hopes if they are supplyed of doing considerably more by January.

N. 153. From Mr. Foss Westcott at Ingeram dated the 24th. Ultimo acquainting us that the scarcity of Dubs makes it very difficult to procure good Cloth, but that as we have sent Copper to Vizagapatam to be coin'd, he assures us he shall be able to invest the whole sum we have sent him in good Cloth by December and that which he now has by him, tho' but a small Quantity is extreamly good. Genl. Letter from Ingeram read.

N. 154 from Mr. John Andrews at Bandarmalanka dated the 2d. Instant, enclosing the Monthly accounts of that Place, for last Month, and advising us of a Mistake in the account sortments of Cloth sent us up last season, and acquainting us that Mr. Heath left that Place for Vizagapatam the 20th. ultimo. Genl. Letter from Bandarmalanka read.

The Redwood intended for the Bay by the Dragon being on board, ORDER'D that the amount of the Remittance from Bombay being One hundred and three thousand, One hundred and twenty five (103,125) Arcot Rupees be laden on that ship & consigned to the Gentlemen at Bengal, and that a General Letter to advise them thereof be prepared. Dragon to be dispatch'd to the Bay. Treasure to be shipp'd & Dispatches prepared.

ORDER'D that the Error in the Account sortments of Mr. Andrews's Cloth be rectified and a perfect Account returned by Express that his Books may be closed. A Rectifiyed accott. sortments to be sent Mr. Andrews

Pursuant to Order of last Consultation The Company's Washers attending & being called in and Question'd in Regard to their Complaint of Fraud in their Conicoply's They persist in their Allegation, that no more than fifteen fanams have been paid them ℔ Corge since January last, altho' the Company allow thirty five fanams; The Conicoply's being thereupon call'd in and charged with the fraud, absolutely deny any Intention of Injuring the Complainants, but at the same time say there may probably be a Ballance due to them which they are ready to pay upon adjusting the Accounts. Complaint of the Company's Washers enquired into.

The Board being of Opinion that the Fraud complain'd of is not clearly made out as the account is not closed, tho' tis not improbable but that there may have been such an Intention. Opinion of the Board &

ORDER'D that the Washers be at Liberty to chuse their own Conicoply's in future; that those they complain of be obliged forthwith to settle their accounts and pay the Ballance (if any shall appear due) to the Washers or whomsoever they shall appoint. Order thereon.

Letter from Captain Henry Kent & Captain Francis Taylor read as enter'd hereafter, purporting that they had been on board & survey'd the Delawar, and that they find her in a proper Condition to take on board her Cargo for Europe. Report survey of the Delawar read.

And the Export Warehousekeeper acquaints the Board that upon the said Report of the survey, (which was taken the 13th. Instant), and in consequence of a conditional Order of last Consultation he had sent on board thiry two Tons of salt Petre being the Kintlage Proportion and part of the Redwood but that Captn. Winter objected to it. Kintledge saltpetre and Redwood ship'd.

And a Letter from Captn. Winter being read as enter'd hereafter purporting that the Redwood is so large hollow and light, that instead of Twenty four which is the Charter party Quantity it would take up at least the Room of Seventy Tons, and desiring that it may be sawed & cut into smaller Pieces. Captn. Winter objects to the Redwood being large hollow & light.

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Orderd to be cut.

ORDER'D that it be done accordingly.

Accott. sale copper read,

THE Import Warehousekeeper lays before the Board an account sale of the Honble Companys Copper sold at Publick Outcry the 12th. Instant which upon an Average amounts to about Ninety Pagodas ℔ Candy, ORDER'D that the said account be enter'd hereafter.

Deficiency in sugar from the West Coast.

Captn. Winter not accountable for it.

The Storekeeper acquaints the Board that on weighing the sugar receiv'd from Fort Marlbrō by the Delawar he finds a Deficiency of no less than Eight hundred and fifty three Pounds (853 lb.) that he had called upon Captn. Winter to make good the same who replyed that he had no Body present at the weighing the sugar at Marlbrō, nor was any Weight specifyed in his Bill of Loading, and that as he had deliver'd the full Number of Cannisters whole and entire he did not apprehend himself accountable for any Deficiency in Weight, and on Recourse had to the Bill of Loading, it appearing that only the Number of Cannisters is inserted, The Board are of opinion that Captn. Winter's Objection is reasonable and cannot but be admitted.

West Coast to be advis'd of it.

AGREED that the Gentlemen at Fort Marlbrō be acquainted of the ill Consequence of their Omission and directed in future to insert the Weight or Quantity as well as Number in their Bills of Loading.

Accott. sale of said Sugar read.

Accott. sale of the Delawar's Madagascar Cargo read.

Damaged Coir from Fort Marlbro put up but no Bidders.

The storekeeper lays before the Board (as enter'd hereafter) an account sale of the said sugar sold at Outcry the 11th. Instant amounting on an average to upwards of sixteen Pagodas ℔ Candy which is a very good Price, He also lays before the Board (as entered hereafter) an account sale of the Remains of the Delawar's Madagascar Cargo &ca. and an account sale of sundry stores returned by that ship from Fort Marlbrō and acquaints the Board that the damaged Coir Cordage returned from the West Coast was at the same time offer'd to sale, but that it is so bad no one bid any thing for it, & gives it as his Opinion that 'tis not saleable.

To be deliver'd the Military storekeepr. for Wadds.

ORDER'D that it be deliver'd to the Military Storekeeper for Wadds and wrote off to that account from the Storekeepers Books at the Price it was originally charg'd at.

The Weights to be regulated by the Standard.

ORDER'D That all the Company's Weights be regulated by the standard this season from Europe, and Messrs. John Walsh & Charles Turner are appointed to supervize the same and report to the Board whether any and what Defects are discover'd and rectifyed.

Mr. Perceval to be required to deliver up a Madrass Bond to Mr. Morse & Duplicates, if any.

ORDER'D that the Secretary apply to Mr. William Perceval to deliver up a Bond from the late President and Council to Nicholas Morse Esqr. for twenty thousand Pagodas (20,000) agreeable to Our Honble Masters Directions in their Letter of the 24th. Janry, The said Bond having been satisfyed, and that he at the same time enquire of Mr. Perceval whether he has or knows of any Duplicates of the same, and of another Bond, for thirty thousand (30,000) Pagodas, and if such are in his Possession that he deliver them up also.

Mr. Andrew Ross an Alderman of the Mayor's Court sworn in.

Mr. Andrew Ross one of the Aldermen of the Mayors Court named and appointed by his Majesty's Charter having been absent on a voyage to Mocha but lately returned in the ship Lisle, now attends the Board and the Oaths of allegiance and Office are administered to him in the same Manner and Form as they were administred to the other Aldermen in Consultation the 2d. August.

Sea Customer pays in on the last Months Ballance.

Henry Powney Sea Customer pays in One thousand (1000) Pagodas in further Part of the Ballance of that account for last Month.

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Henry Powney Import Warehousekr. pays in One thousand three hundred and Eighty Eight Pagodas thirty two fanams (1388. 32.) on account of Rupees sold which sum is advanced the Commissary to defray the Expences of the Troops abroad. Money paid in for Rupees sold & is advanced to the Commissary.

THOS: SAUNDERS.
CHAS: BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR: WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CHS: BOURCHIER.

To The Honble Thomas Saunders Esqr.
President Governour &ca. &ca. Council.

Hond: Sir & Sirs

I thought proper to acquaint you that We defer'd shiping off any more of the Honble Company's Red Wood till your further Orders, for that which order'd on board the Peices is so very large hollow and light that instead of twenty four Tons which your Honours have order'd, it will take up the Room of seventy or more.

I hope you'll take it into Consideration and order that the Peices may be sawed and splitt into lesser Pieces, in complying with my Request will greatly oblige

Hond: Sir and Sirs
Your most Obedient Servt.
Thomas Winter.

Fort St: George
Septr. 15th. 1753.

To The Honble Thomas Saunders Esqr.
President & Governour &ca. Council.

Honble Sir & Sirs

According to Order We have been on Board and surveyed the ship Delawar, & find her in good Condition & fit to take on board the Honble Company's Goods. We are with due Respect

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedt. Servants
Henry Kent.
Francis Taylor.

Septr. 13th. 1753.

Account Sale of Sundry Stores at Publick Outcry being the Remains of the Delawars Madagascar Cargoe Vizt:

	Pewter.					
24	Basons large	..	Vincatarama	..	1 27	—
22	Do.	..	Do	..	2 9	—
36	Do. small	..	Comerapah	..	3 13	40
36	Do.	..	Comerapah Chetty	..	3 18	—
36	Do.	..	Do.	..	3 18	—
39	Do.	..	Vincatarama	..	3 31	40
4	Do. 3rd. sort	..	Vellapah Chitty	..	2 —	—
24	Do.	..	Maureapah ..	..	2 4	40
24	Do.	..	Do. ..	..	2 4	40
24	Do.	..	Comerapah ..	..	2 —	—
24	Do.	..	Vincatarama	..	2 4	40
24	Do.	..	Do. ..	..	2 —	—
27	Do.	..	Sechasellum	..	2 12	—
2	Juggs	..	Mr. Wynch	..	2 9	—
2	Do.	..	Comerapah Chitty	..	2 13	40
2	Do.	..	Do.	..	2 9	—
			Carried Over	..	39 30	—

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ACCOUNT SALE of Sundry Stores at Outcry—*cont.*

			Brought Over ..			39	30	—	
PEWTER.									
2	Juggs	..	Comerapah Chitty	..		2	9	—	
2	Do.	..	Vellapa Chitty	.		2	13	40	
2	Do.	..	Comerapa Chitty	..		2	13	40	
2	Do.	..	Vellapa Chitty	..		2	13	40	
7	Dishes	..	John James Gellin	..		—	31	40	
24	Spoons	..	Chettyrama	..		—	25	—	
24	Quart Tankards	..	Vincatarama	..		2	22	40	
24	Do.	..	Cachalle Chetty	..		3	—	—	
10	Do.	..	Pallemoota	..		1	17	—	
23	Pint Do.	..	Vincatarama	..		2	9	—	
24	Quart Porringers	..	Anda Chetty	..		2	9	—	
24	Do.	..	Vellapah Chetty	..		2	4	40	
13	Do.	..	Do.	..		1	—	—	
24	Pint Do.	..	Do.	..		1	18	—	
24	Do.	..	Do.	..		1	18	—	
14	Do.	..	Comerapah	..		1	9	—	
24	Plates	..	Isaac Myers	..		3	—	—	
								72	27 —
1	Box qtg. Thread &ca.		Vellapa Chitty	..				1	11 —
1	Cash spice	..	Comerapa Chitty	..				8	22 40
lb.									
3	Beads @ P. 11.9 ℔ ⊕ Wt.		Maureapah	..		33	27	—	
3	Do. 10.22.40	Do.	Comerapah	..		31	31	40	
3	Do. 11.4.40	Do.	Do.	..		33	13	40	
2.2.3	Do. 11.9.—	Do.	Do.	..		28	9	30	
								127	9 30
2	Pieces Long Cloth ..		Comerapa Chitty	..				4	4 40
11½	Gross Pipes @ 14 fs. ℔ Gross	..	Vellapa Chetty	..				4	17 —
2	Casks Sugar wg. about 40 lb. ea.	..	Vincatarama	..		2	13	40	
2	Do.	..	Nata Chitty	..		2	20	—	
2	Do.	..	Vincatarama	..		2	27	—	
3	Do.	..	Nata Chetty	..		3	9	—	
								10	33 40
MALT SPIRITS.									
		Galls.							
N. 1 1	Hoghd.qt. 18 @ fs. 13 ℔ Gallon	..	Mr. Norris	..		6	18	—	
2 1	Do. 34 @ 17.40 ℔ Do.	..	Do.	..		16	19	—	
3 1	Do. 51¾ @ 19.40 Do.	..	Gruapa	..	..	28	1	10	
4 1	Do. 53 @ 2⅝	Do.	Mr. Norris	..		32	14	—	
5 1	Do. 43½ @ 18	Do.	Francisco	..	..	21	27	—	
6 1	Do. 42 @ 18	Do.	Mr. Munro	..	..	21	—	—	
								126	7 10
6	Carboys	..	Isaac Myers	..	..	13	18	—	
6	Do.	..	Arnachellum	..		11	—	—	
6	Do.	..	Isaac Myers	..		10	27	—	
6	Do.	..	Arnachellum	..		11	9	—	
6	Do.	..	Vellapa Chitty	..		11	—	—	
6	Do.	..	Arnachellum	..		10	18	—	
6	Do.	..	Pallemoota	..		10	13	40	
6	Do.	..	Vincatarama	..		10	9	—	
								88	22 40
			Carried Over ..					444	10 40

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ACCOUNT SALE of Sundry Stores at Public Outcry—*cont.*

			Brought Over ..				444	10	40
MALT SPIRITS—*cont.*									
2	Green Cases ..	Mudu		1	22	40			
2	Do. ..	Isa c Myers ..		1	4	40			
2	Do. ..	Mudu		1	31	40			
2	Do. ..	Ramakistna ..		1	22	40			
2	Do. ..	Do. ..		1	22	40			
2	Do. ..	Pallemoota ..		1	22	40			
2	Do. ..	Charles Smith ..		1	27	—			
2	Do. ..	Puttie Chitty ..		1	22	40			
2	Do. ..	James Calvinier ..		1	18	—			
2	Do. ..	Pallemoota ..		1	13	40			
2	Do. ..	Serjeant Mc. Farlin ..		1	13	40			
2	Do. ..	Vincatarama ..		1	9	—			
2	Do. ..	Callaty Chitty ..		1	13	40			
1	Do. ..	Ramah ..		—	22	40			
							20	13	40
10	Bundles Cask Staves.	Chegapa					3	—	—
	lb.								
56	Iron Hoops wg. 135. @ Ps. f.								
	11. 9 ℔ Candy ..	Comerapa					3	1	28
8	Empty Puncheons ..	Chegapa					4	18	—
28	Deals	Papa		2	18	—			
30	Do. ..	Isaac Myers ..		3	—	—			
							5	18	—
42	Bushells Salt ..	Ball Gruah ..					2	—	—
1	third Leagre, Batavia								
	gas. fas.								
	arrack qt. 39. at 11¾								
	℔ Gallon ..	John James Gellin ...		12	16	40			
1	Do. 34. @ 16 Do.	Mr. Munro ...		15	4	—			
							27	20	40
			Pagodas ..				510	9	68

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ERRORS EXCEPTED
℔ ALEXR. WYNCH.
Storekr.

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ACCOUNT SALE of stores at Publick Outcry being of what Receiv'd from FORT MARLBRO ℔ Ship Delawar Vizt :—

4	Duppers Ghee wt. 285 lb. @ Ps. 30¾ ℔ Candy.	Tadapilla ..					17	19	10
1	Hogshead Beer ..	Pallemoota ..		1	18	—			
1	Do. Do. ...	Vincatarama ...		2	9	—			
							3	27	—
3	Large Books with Marble Covers ..	Comrapa Soamy ..		1	27	—			
3	Small Do. ...	Moorteapah ..		—	26	—			
3½	Quires Royal Paper.	Vincatarama .		1	—	—			
11	Do. Foolscap ..	Comrapa Soamy ..		1	21	—			
50	Quills	Callaty ..		—	9	—			
							5	11	—
1	Large Copper Pott Wt. 3 Mds. @ Ps. 84. ℔ Candy	Vellah					12	21	48
			Pagodas ...				39	6	58

ERRORS EXCEPTED
℔ ALEXR. WYNCH
Storekr.

ACCOUNT SALE of the HONBLE EAST INDIA COMPYS COPPER by PUBLICK OUTCRY upon the following Conditions Vizt.

1 The Goods are to be exposed to view at the Godown.

2 The Purchaser of any Goods shall be allowed twelve Months Time to Clear them or any Parcel of them out of the Warehouse without paying Rent or allowance for Warehouse Room.

3 The Buyer on paying the amount of his Goods or any Part thereof shall have such Parcell or Goods deliver'd to him, and no Goods whatever to be deliver'd, till the Money is actually paid.

4 An Allowance or Discount shall be made to the Buyer of nine ℔ Cent if paid in before the Expiration of six Months from the Commencement of the sale, and an Allowance in like Manner shall be made of three ℔ Cent if paid in after six Months and before the Expiration of twelve Months from the Commencement of the sale aforesaid.

5 After the Expiration of twelve Months if any Goods remain unclear'd according to the Conditions aforesaid, such Goods shall be put up at Publick auction, and sold for ready Money, and if any Loss is occasion'd thereby, the prior Purchaser shall be obliged to make good the same.

6 If any Person shall fail to make Payment within twelve Months as aforesaid, for any Goods bought by him, he shall not be permitted to a Buyer at any future sale untill he has made full satisfaction for such his Non-payment.

7 All Persons whatever without Distinction shall be free to purchase at the Company's Auction upon the Terms abovementioned.

The Time of sale.	Quality of the Goods.	Lot or Quantity.	Invoice Price.	Price put up at.	Price sold at.	Amount of each Lot.	To whom sold.
12th. September 1753.	Copper.	5 Candy.	Pags. 71 19 70.	Pags. 82.	Pagodas 88	Pagodas 440	Comerapa Chitty.
		5 Do.			87	435	Mr. Wynch.
		5 Do.			87	435	Comerapah Chitty.
		5 Do.			87¼	436-9	Do. Do.
		5 Do.			87¼	436 9	Combag Narrain Chitty.
		5 Do.			87⅜	436-31½	Mr. Wynch.
		5 Do.			87¼	436-9	Comrapa Chitty.
		5 Do.			87¼	436-9	Combag Narrain Chitty.
		5 Do.			87½	437-18	Mr. Powney.
		5 Do.			87½	437-18	Comrapa Chitty.
		5 Do.			87½	437-18	Do. Do.
		5 Do.			87½	437-18	Combag Narrain Chitty.
		5 Do.			87¾	438-27	Comrapa Chitty.
		5 Do.			87¾	438-27	Chintomby Chitty.
		5 Do.			87¾	438-27	Pourpadah Chitty.
		5 Do.			87¾	438-27	Comrapa Chitty.
		5 Do.			87¾	438-27	Combag Narrain Chitty.
		5 Do.			88	440	Comrapah Chitty.
		5 Do.			87¾	438-27	Vellapah.
		5 Do.			88	440	Combag Narrain Chitty.
		5 Do.			87¾	438-27	Vellapah.
		5 Do.			88	440	Combag Narrain Chitty.
Carried Over ..		110 candy.				Pags. 8753 4 40	

ACCOUNT SALE OF THE HONBLE EAST INDIA COMPYS COPPER BY PUBLICK OUTCR—*cont.*

Time of sale.	Quality of the Goods.	Lot or Quantity.	Invoice Price.	Price put up at.	Price sold at.	Amount of each Lot.	To whom sold.
	Brought Over ..	110 Candy			Pags.	8753 4 40	
12th. September 1753.	Copper.	5 do.			88	440	Cambag Narrain Chitty.
		5 do.			88¼	441.9	Comrapah Chitty.
		5 do.			88¼	441.9	Veraigue Chitty.
		5 do.			88¼	441.9	Combag Narrain Chitty.
		5 do.			88¼	441.9	Do. Do. Do.
		5 do.			88½	442.18	Comrapah Chitty.
		5 do.			88¾	443.27	Moota Chitty.
		5 do.			89	445	Comrapah Chitty.
		5 do.			89¼	446.9	Do. Do.
		5 do.			89	445	Arnagaree Chitty.
		5 do.			89	445	Comrapa Chitty.
		5 do.			89	445	Combag Narrain Chitty.
		5 do.			89¼	446.9	Aranagaree Chitty.
		5 do.			89¼	446.9	Bob Chitty
		5 do.			89½	447.18	Comrapah Chitty.
		5 do.			89½	447.18	Goulaveranah Chitty.
		5 do.			89¾	448.27	Comrapah Chitty.
		1 do. & 4 Maund.			90½	108.21/48	Do. Do.
	2d. Sort.	5 do.	Pags. 69 33 60	Pags. 80	89¾	448.27	Arnagaree Chitty.
		5 do.			90¼	451·9	Ramah Linga Chitty.
		5 do.			90¼	451.9	Cautah Permal Chitty.
		5 do.			90¾	453.27	Arnagaree Chitty.
		5 do.			91	455.	Seal Chitty.
		5 do.			91½	457.18	Pianah Chitty.
		5 do.			91¾	458.27	Aranagaree Chitty.
		5 do.			92¼	461.9	Nella Chitty.
		5 do.			92¼	461.9	Dosseree.
		5 do.			92¼	461.9	Tagapah Chitty.
		5 do.			92¼	462.18	Veranah Chitty.
		5 do.			92¼	461.9	Seal Chitty.
		5 do.			92¼	461.9	Tagapah Chitty.
		5 do.			92½	462.18	Veranah Chitty.
		5 do.			92½	462.18	Pinah Chitty.
		5 do.			92½	461.9	Seal Chitty.
		5 do.			92½	462.18	Veragoo Chitty
		5 do.			92¼	461.9	Seal Chitty.
		5 do.			92	460	Tagapah Chitty.
		5 do.			92	460	Seal Chitty.
	Carried Over ..	296 Candy 4 Md.			Pags.	26470 17 8	

ACCOUNT SALE of the HONBLE EAST INDIA COMPYS COPPER by PUBLICK OUTCRY—*cont.*

Time of Sale.	Quality of the Goods.	Lot or Quanti y.	Invoice Price.	Price put up at.	Price sold at.	Amount of each Lot.	To whom sold.
	Brough Over ..	296 Candy 4 Md.			Pags.	26470 17 8	
12th. September 1753.	Copper.	5 do.	Pags. 69 33 63	Pags. 80	Pags. 92¼	461. 9	Vernah Chitty.
	2d. Sort.	5 do.			92	460	Combag Narrain Chitty.
		5 do.			91¾	458. 27	Tagapah Chitty.
		5 do.			91¾	458. 27	Pillah Chitty.
		5 do.			91¾	458. 27	Veranah Chitty.
		5 do.			91¾	458. 27	Pillah Chitty.
		5 do.			91¾	458. 27	Arnagaree Chitty.
		5 do.			92	460	Do. Do.
		5 do.			92	460	Pinah Chitty.
		5 do.			91¾	458. 27	Combag Narrain Chitty.
		5 do.			91¾	458. 27	Do. Do. Do.
		5 do.			92	460	Arnagaree Chitty.
		5 do.			92	460	Pillah Chitty.
		5 do.			92	460	Do. Do.
		5 do.			92¼	461. 9	Comrapah Chitty.
		5 do.			92	460	Seal Chitty.
		5 do.			92	460	Narrain Chitty.
		5 do.			91¾	458. 27	Pulley Condah Chitty.
		5 do.			91¾	458. 27	Vernah Chitty.
		5 do.			91¾	458. 27	Cassalah Chitty.
		5 do.			91½	457. 18	Comrapa Chitty.
		5 do.			91½	457. 18	Ramalinga Chitty.
		5 do.			91½	457. 18	Seal Chitty.
		Md. lb.					
		4 do. 6 1			92	395. 28. 18	Comrapah Chitty.
		415 10 1			Pagodas.	37428 27 26	

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12TH. SEPTEMBER 1753.

ERRORS EXCEPTED
℔ HENRY POWNEY.
Import W. H. K.

ACCOUNT SALE OF THE HONBLE COMPANY'S SUGAR AT PUBLICK OUTCRY VIZT:

Time of sale.	Quality of the Goods.	Lot or Quantity. Canister	Ca.	Md.	lb.	Invoice price.	Price put up at.		Price sold at.		Amot. of each Lot.			To whom sold.
Septr. 11th. 1753.	Sugar.	1 pz.	—	7	3	12. 18	15 ℔ Candy.	16	18 41	℔ Candy.	5	31	47	Comerapah Chitty.
		1	—	9	10		15 Do.	16		Do.	7	18	58	Do.
		1	—	9	5		15 Do.	16	18	Do.	7	27	14	Mr. Norris.
		1	—	6	20		15 Do.	15	13 40	Do.	5	8	15	Comerapa Chitty.
		1	—	8	3		15 Do.	18		Do.	6	17	65	Do.
		1	—	8	9		15 Do.	16		Do.	6	24	60	Do.
		1	—	10	10		15 Do.	16	13 40	Do.	8	17	65	Vincatarama.
		1	—	8	24		15 Do.	16		Do.	7	6	4	Comerapa Chitty.
		1	—	10	17		15 Do.	16	13 40	Do.	9	—	32	Armogom Chitty.
		9 pz.	3	19	1					Pagods.	64	8	40	

FORT ST. GEORGE,
11TH. September 1753.

ERRORS EXCEPTED
℔R. ALEXR: WYNCH.
Storekr.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, SEPTEMBER 1753*——

18 Receiv'd by Tappies General Letter from the Deputy Governour and Council at Fort S^{t}. David dated the 15th. Instant acknowledging the Receipt of ours of the 11th. by the Contents whereof, they say they imagine We had not then receiv'd theirs of the 7th. as we order M^{r}. Drake to deliver up his Employs to M^{r}. Pybus immediately on his Arrival, That Mr. Drake desires we will refer to that Letter wherein he has given his determinate Answer for not proceeding to the West Coast, as also to the Doctors Opinion of his Case enclosed therein and if notwithstanding his Plea, we shall think proper to dismiss him from his Employs, he must submitt, but fears, his coming up to the Presidency may be of bad Consequence to him as he must shortly undergo a Course of Mercury, and besides it will take him up some time to settle the Affairs of his Employs.

The Foregoing Letter being communicated to the Gentlemen of Council, a General Letter in Answer thereto was signed and sent away the same day to the Gentlemen at S^{t}. David insisting that M^{r}. Drake immediately resign all his Employs to M^{r}. Pybus and come up hither as soon as he has settled the Affairs relating to them & observing that the Orders were positive in this Respect before, but that instead of complying they make Representations which cannot be approv'd of.

19 Sailed the Honble Company's ship Dragon Captain Henry Kent Commander for Bengal with a General Letter to the President and Council there dated 18th. Instant.

— Sent by Peons General Letter to M^{r}. John Andrews at Madapollam dated this Day enclosing a rectifyed Acco^{tt}. Sortments of his Cloth.

21 Received by Tappies General Letter from Fort S^{t}. David dated 18th. Instant.

23 Arrived sloop George Thomas Reason, from Bandarmalanka with a General Letter dated the 12th. Instant.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY THE 24TH. THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQ^{R}. GOV^{R}. PRESID^{T}.
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEX^{R}. WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

Minutes of last Consultation read & signed.

General Letters read, Viz^{t}.

Genl. Letters from Fort St. David read. N. 155 & N. 156. From the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort S^{t}. David, The first dated the 15th. Instant is abstracted in the Diary preceeding these Minutes, and the second dated the 18th. Instant, acquainting us that the utmost Quantity of Bales they can furnish us with for the Delawar will be one hundred. That in Regard to Cawn Modelair and Toneveroy; The first is unwilling to submit his Case to the Mayors Court and proposes Arbitration, The other's first Choice was for the Mayors Court, and on Cawn Moodelairs refusing to consent proposes to chose Arbitrators at Madras which the other will not submitt to, giving it as their Opinion that very little can be hoped for from the mild Measures we have restrained them to, That M^{r}. Pybus has promised to settle the Memorandum account in a proper Manner, That they will observe our Directions relating to the Train of artillery and Materials for Fortifications &c^{a}. That Captain George Gardener has applyed to them for the Arrears of Cloathing Money which the Bombay Detachment claim, desiring our Directions thereon, Enclosing Indent for Packing stuff, also a Petition of Cootah

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Arrack Farmer, setting forth that when he took that Cowle Irshippa Chitty was to have been jointly concern'd with him in it but Tonnaveroy's Name was inserted, instead, who acted only as Irshippa's agent, but has since pretended to act in his own Right and has drawn out of the stock upwards of three thousand Pagodas whereby the Petitioners Credit is affected, praying that Irshippa Chitty may be admitted as Joint Partner with him in the Cowle and that Tonaveroy may have no further Concern in the same.

Genl. Letter from Bandarmalanka.

N. 157 From Mr. John Andrews at Bandarmalanka dated the 12th. Instant Enclosing Invoice and Bill of Lading for One hundred and seventy two Bales of Cloth consigned to us by Sloop George, and acquainting us that the Troubles still subsisting make it unsafe to trust the Weavers with any money and two thousand Pagodas he advanced in July lie still unemployed in the Merchants Hands besides, The French Gomastahs buy in all the Cloth he turns out without Regard to Length Breadth or Quality at a much higher Price than he is allowed to give.

Dragon to be dispatched to St. David with Treasure &ca. & to bring up Bales.

AGREED that the Honble Company's sloop Dragon be dispatched to Fort St. David with twenty five thousand (25000) Pagodas, and the Packing stuff indented for, and that a General Letter be wrote to the Gentlemen there advising them thereof and that we would have them return the sloop to us immediately with what Bales they have ready as we propose to send her a second Trip. That we disapprove of their advancing so much as Ten thousand Pagodas to Irshippa Chitty only, when 'tis thought necessary to make Advances to the Merchants each should have a Proportion, and no more than five thousand Pagodas at a Time, That Cootah and Tonnaveroy must be both accountable for the Rent of the arrack Farm as the Cowle was granted to them jointly, nor can we make any Alteration in it, Tonnaveroys Dispute with Irshippa Chitty being of a private Nature must be settled by themselves, and in Regard to the Dispute between Cawn Moodelair and Tonnaveroy, We never will consent to any compulsive Measures, but the Party's must be left at full Liberty to Chuse whom they please for Arbitrators, for if Tonnaveroy is apprehensive of Partiality at Fort St. David, 'tis but reasonable he should have the Priviledge of chusing such as he may think he can better confide in, the Ballance due from Cawn Moodelair is much more than the sum in dispute. The Overplus must therefore be demanded of them. That we can give no Directions about the Arrears for Cloathing the Bombay Detachment as we know not what stoppages have been made from the Men on that account. That We observe a particular sum inserted monthly in the Paymasters Accounts for Captn. Schaubs Detachment, but no Pay Roll which is wrong and must not be practised in future as it's certain some of those Men have deserted, Captain Schaub must therefore be wrote to, to send a proper Roll.

Bales & sloop George to be resorted.

ORDER'D that the Bales be landed from the George sloop and re-sorted as expeditiously as possible that they may be re-embaled and laden on the Delawar.

A Draught to be demanded of Captn. Winter on his Owners for Money advanced him for the Delawars Repairs.

ORDER'D that the Secretary demand of Captn. Winter a Draught on his Owners for five hundred Pagodas sixteen Fanams (580. 16) [*sic*] at 7/8d. ℔ Pagoda for so much advanced him here for the Repairs of the Delawar at Galle.

Captn. Winter desires 20 Tons surplus saltpetre at half freight.

Letter from Captn. Thomas Winter read as enter'd hereafter desiring to be indulged with twenty Tons of Salt petre at half Freight to stiffen his ship.

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Granted.

ORDER'D that the Export Warehousekeeper send the same on board accordingly and that an acknowledgement be taken from Captn. Winter that the same is laden on half Freight over & above the Charter Party Tonnage.

Peter Dencker requests payment of a Note due to him from the late Mr. Churchey.

Letter from Peter Dencker read (as enterd hereafter) Enclosing a Note to him from the late Mr. Churchey for twenty Eight Pagodas twenty four Fanams, Requesting that the same may be discharged out of Mr. Churchey's Estate, The Ballance whereof has been paid into the Company's Cash, and assigning the Reasons why this Affair has been suffer'd to lye dormant so long.

Granted conditionally.

ORDER'D that the said Note be discharged with simple Interest upon Mr. Dencker's making Oath before a Magistrate that it is of Mr. Churchey's own proper hand writing & signature and that he has not receiv'd, any satisfaction for the same, and upon Payment thereof ORDER'D that the Estate of the said Mr. Churchey be debted in Account for the Amount of Principal, & Interest.

The Bond to Mr. Morse for 20,000 Pags. deliver'd up & cancel'd.

The Secretary lays before the Board a Letter to him from Mr. William Perceval which is read as enter'd hereafter serving to accompany the late President and Council's Bond to Nicholas Morse Esqr. for twenty thousand Pagodas and acquainting him that he knows of no Duplicate either of that or the thirty thousand Pagoda Bond, And the said first mention'd Bond is accordingly now produced & cancell'd.

A Lieutenant of Artillery to be sent to the West coast.

Mr. Pero appointed.

For the better training and Regulating the Artillery at the West Coast, which, as well as every other Branch stands in need of new Modeling, RESOLVED That an experienced Lieutenant be chosen for that Purpose out of those on this Establishment, and Mr. Edward Pero first Lieutenant of D'Illens's Company being propos'd as a proper Person.

AGREED that he be appointed to proceed to the West Coast as Captain Lieutenant of Artillery on that Establishment.

Mr. Robt. Barker to have a commission for Lieutt. in the Train.

And a Lieutenancy of Artillery becoming vacant by the Removal of Mr. Pero, ORDER'D that a Commission be made out to Mr. Robert Barker recommended by our Honble Masters to fill the first vacant Lieutenancy that might happen in the Artillery Company at Bengal, but at Collonel [*sic*] Scotts Request & his own Desire exchanged against Mr. Thomas Alford who was recommended to succeed to the first vancancy here.

The Train at Vizagapatam not to be drafted from the two Companys but to be supernumerary's.

A Detachment of the Train with a Lieut^{t}. being necessary for the Garrison of Vizagapatam, It is debated whether they should be consider'd as independant of the two Companys here or draughted from them, On the one hand it is urged that Our Honble Masters have establish'd only two Company's of Artillery for the whole Coast and therefore all the settlements are to be garrison'd by Draughts from them, On the other, it is consider'd that the Artillery have during all the Troubles been particularly careful, that their service is yet as necessary as ever, especially the Officers, and therefore that this Force should not be weaken'd unless thro' unavoidable Necessity; Upon the whole it is

RESOLV'D That the Train of Artillery at Vizagapatam be not draughted from the two Companys but be considered as supernumerary's.

Mr. Brohier to seperate in his accott. the articles of furniture from Repairs & value each.

Mr. Brohier in his account of Materials and Expences of Fortification &c^{a}. having blended sundry Articles of Household Furniture and other Utensils with Repairs without particularizing any value. ORDER'D that he separate the same under distinct Heads and that the value of each Particular article be ascertained, that they may be properly carried to account in the Company's Books.

Accott. Deficiencies ℔ Dragon produced.

The storekeeper lays before the Board as enter'd hereafter an account Deficiency's in the Remains of the Dragons Madgascor Cargo amounting to Five Pounds seventeen shillings and Eight pence £. 5. 17. 8 or fourteen Pagodas twenty five fanams and forty Cash P^{s}. 14. 25. 40 which he acquaints the

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Board he has received of Captain Kent. He also lays before the Board an Inventory of the Remains of the Dragons Madagascar Cargo ORDER'D that the same be sold at public Outcry, and that Notice thereof be affixed at the Sea Gate. Remains of the Dragons Madagascar Cargo to be sold at Outcry.

The President lays before the Board an account of what Arrears were due on the several Farms to the 31st. May 1746. The cash accott. to be examined whether any Arrears of the Farms due 31st. May 1746 have been paid.

ORDER'D that the Secretary examine the Cash accounts and report to the Board whether any and what part appears to have been since paid off, as well as what more may have been due at the Time the Town was taken.

The Accountant lays before the Board as enter'd hereafter an Account of Salary due to the Honble Companys Servants at this settlement for six Months ending the 25th. Instant which is order'd to be paid. Accot. Salary to the 25th. Instt. order'd to be paid.

Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master reads that Account for last Month Ballance remain in the Mint Eight thousand three hundred & twenty Madrass Rupees (M.Rs. 8320),—Eight hundred and sixteen thousand nine hundred and fourteen Arcot Rupees, three anaes (816914. 3. –) twenty six (26) Madrass Pagodas and forty seven thousand four hundred & Eighty five Current Pagodas twenty two fanams and fifteen cash (47485. 22. 15) which is carried forward. Monthly accotts. read Vizt. Mint.

Charles Boddam Export Warehousekeeper reads that account for last Month, Ballance due from him One thousand five hundred and Ninety three Pagodas Eighteen Fanams and thirty seven Cash (1593. 18. 37) which is carried forward. Export Warehouse.

Charles Boddam Paymaster reads that account for last Month. Paymaster.

CHARGES GARRISON	236	25	5
HOSPITAL CHARGES	218	2	55
PEONS & SERVANTS WAGES	346	11	—
CHARGES GENERAL	76	32	70
CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY	265	1	47
REPAIRS	1480	20	56
FORTIFICATION	1949	25	76
POONAMALLEE &CA. VILLAGES	26	32	20
ST: THOME &CA. VILLAEGS	25	6	20
EXPEDITION TO NEGRAIS	41	9	—
CHARGES CATTLE	66	24	—
CHARGES DIET	583	12	—
HOUSEHOLD NECESSARIES	60	1	27
	5376	24	46

Balance due from him Three thousand five hundred and twelve Pagodas sixteen fanams and fourteen Cash (3512. 16. 14) which is carried forward.

The Extraordinary Expences in the Paymasters Account are enter'd hereafter.

Henry Powney Sea Customer reads that account for last Month Ballance due from him Eleven thousand six hundred & thirty nine Pagodas twenty one fanams and seventy two Cash (11639. 21. 72) of which he now pays in One thousand five hundred Pagodas in part. Sea Customer.

Henry Powney Import Warehousekeeper reads that account for last Month, Ballance due from him twenty five thousand One hundred and Ninety six Pagods. Eighteen fanams and seventy four Cash (25196. 18. 74) which is carried forward. Import Warehouse.

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Storekeepr. Alexander Wynch storekeeper reads that Account for last Month, Ballance due from him six hundred and Nineteen Pagodas twenty four fanams and thirty seven Cash (619. 24. 37) which is carried forward.

Military storekr. Alexander Wynch Military storekeeper reads that account for last Month Ballance due from him seven Pagodas three fanams and thirty one Cash (7. 3. 31) which he now pays in.

Land Customer. John Smith Land Customer reads that Account for last Month, Ballance due from him seven hundred Pagodas, twenty five fanams and seventy Cash (700. 25. 70) which he now pays in.

Military Paymr. John Smith Military Paymaster reads that account for last Month, Ballance due from him Two hundred and two Pagodas thirty two fanams and six Cash (202. 32. 6) which is carried forward.

Journal Parcels. The Accountant lays before the Board the Journal Parcels for the Month of July.

Monthly abstract. He also produces the Monthly Report of the several Accounts for August compared with the former Accounts.

Money paid in for Rupees sold which is advanced the Commissary. Henry Powney Import Warehousekeeper pays in Twenty One thousand Nine hundred and forty four Pagodas sixteen Fanams (21944. 16. –) on account of Rupees sold which sum it is agreed to advance the Commissary to defray the Charges of the Troop abroad.

Rent paid in full of the Poonamalee Cowle ending 30th. June last. Numboor Soubiah, Linga Chittee &cª. late Farmers of the Poonemalee Country pay in seventeen thousand five hundred Pagodas in full for six Months Rent of that cowle due the 30th. of June last at which time it expired.

Captn. Winter to be desired to carry home some Iron Guns freight free. There being several old unserviceable Guns in the Garrison, AGREED that Captain Winter be desired to carry home as many of them, as will be convenient for stiffening his ship, Freight free, and on his Consenting thereto, ORDER'D that they be shipp'd accordingly.

THOˢ. SAUNDERS.
CHAˢ. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
Aᴿ. WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CHAˢ. BOURCHEIR.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQᴿ.
GOVERNOUR & PRESIDENT OF FORT Sᵀ. GEORGE & COUNCIL.

SIR & SIRS

I beg Leave to lay before this Honble Board that on the 5th. of Febry. 1741. I advanced to Mr. John Churchey deceas'd some Provision for his Voyage to Vizagapatam where he was then bound which amounted to 28 Pagodas 24 fanˢ. whereof the said Mr. Churchey then did give me a Note of his own hand Writing and signing promising to pay the same after his Arrival at Vizagapatam with the interest that should become due thereon, and I send the next year the said Note of hand to Vizagapatam to demand Payment thereof, but it

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was returned me with an Answer that he was not able to pay it then and Mr. Richard Prince coming soon after that to Madrass, I gave him the Note, and desir'd, he would at a proper time procure the Payment thereof and wrote to the said Mr. Prince several times after that but receiv'd for answer that the said Mr. Churchey could not pay, and the said Mr. Prince coming from Vizagapatnam to St. David I enquired of him if he had receđ my Money of Mr. Churchey, to which he answer'd, he had not, and said he would give me the Note again as soon as he could find it, that it was pack'd up amongst his Papers then, and I coming sometime after that to Madrass did not get the said Note at that Time, and when the said Mr. Richard Prince did some time after come to Madrass, I did at several Times apply for the said Note, and received for Answer that it was mislaid, and when it could be found I should have it and from that time I could not get the said Note into my Hands again till a few Days before the said Mr. Prince embarked for Europe that his Writer Thos. Pelling found it and gave it me as it will appear by his Declaration here join'd, after which I did send it to Vizagapatam by Alexr. Kidd as it will appear by his Receipt here annexed who brought it me back and said he had forgot it and lastly this Year have sent it, by George Downing who did demand the Payment thereof of Mr. George Pigot, but the said Mr. Pigot has told him he could not pay it by Reason that the Money of that Estate had been paid into the Honble Company's Cash and that it must be paid at Madrass.

I humbly beg this Honble Board will be pleased to take my Case into Consideration and order my just Demand upon the Estate of the abovemention'd John Churchey to be paid with the Interest that is due thereon.

I am
Sir & Sirs
Your most hble & most Obedt. Servant

Peter Dencker.

Fort St. George,
Septr., the 24th. 1753.

To the Honble Thos. Saunders Esqr.
President & Governour &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

The Thirty two Tons of Kintlage Salt Petre you have order'd to be laden on the Delawar not being sufficient to stiffen the ship, I humbly request your Honour &ca. Council will indulge me with Twenty Tons more at half freight.

I am
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedt. hble Servt.

Thomas Winter.

Fort St. George,
the 24th. Septr. 1753.

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ACCOUNT SALARY due to the Honourable Company's Covenanted Servants, from 25th. March 1753 to 25th. Septr. 1753.

	Mos.	Ds.	₱ Ann.	£	s	d	£	s	d	Pags.	Fs.	Ca.
Thomas Saunders Esqr., —Presidt. & Governour			200	100	—	—						
Gratuity			100	50	—	—						
							150	—	—	375	—	—
Charles Boddam, 2d. of Council			100				50	—	—	125	—	—
Henry Powney, 3d. of Council			70				35	—	—	87	18	—
Alexander Wynch, 4th. of Council			50				25	—	—	62	18	—
John Smith, 5th. of Council			40				20	—	—	50	—	—
Charles Bourchier, 6th. of Council			40	20	—	—						
Gratuity as Secretary			10	5	—	—						
							25	—	—	62	18	—
William Perceval, Senior Merchant			40				20	—	—	50	—	—
John Walsh, Junior Merchant			30				15	—	—	37	18	—
Hugh Norris, ditto			30				15	—	—	37	18	—
Edward Edwards, Factor			15	7	10	—						
Gratutity as Assay Master			80	40	—	—						
							47	10	—	118	27	—
Henry Vansittart, Factor			15	7	10	—						
Gratuity as Translator			30	15	—	—						
							22	10	—	56	9	—
Richard Fairfield, Factor			15	7	10	—						
Gratuity as Sub Accomptt.			100	50	—	—						
							57	10	—	143	27	—
Charles Turner, Factor			15				7	10	—	18	27	—
Josias Dupré, ditto			15	7	10	—						
Gratuity as Sollicitor & Clerk of the Peace from 13th. August	1.	12.	45	5	5	—						
							12	15	—	31	31	40
John Browning, Factor.			15				7	10	—	18	27	—
James Alexander ditto.			15				7	10	—	18	27	—
John Smith ditto.			15				7	10	—	18	27	—
Daniel Morse ditto.			15				7	10	—	18	27	—
Charles Simpson, Writer.			5				2	10	—	6	9	—
George Stratton ditto.			5				2	10	—	6	9	—
Mathew Clarke ditto.			5				2	10	—	6	9	—
James Bourchier ditto.			5				2	10	—	6	9	—
Richard Brickenden. ditto.			5				2	10	—	6	9	—
				Carried Over			545	5	—	1363	4	40

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ACCOUNT SALARY due to the Honourable Company's Covenanted Servants—*cont.*

		Mos.	Ds.	℔ Ann.	£ s d	£	s	d	Pags.	Fs.	Ca.
				Brought Over ..		545	5	—	1363	4	40
John Whitehill,	Writer		..	5	..	2	10	—	6	9	—
Joseph Sommers	ditto.		..	5	..	2	10	—	6	9	—
Claud Russel	ditto.		..	5	..	2	10	—	6	9	—
George Dolben	ditto.		..	5	..	2	10	—	6	9	—
John Perceval	ditto.		..	5	..	2	10	—	6	9	—
Thomas Rumbold	ditto.		..	5	..	2	10	—	6	9	—
George Pyne	ditto.										
from 24th. July		2	—	5	..	—	16	8	2	3	—
Charles Smith	ditto.										
from 11th. July		2	13	5	..	1	—	3	2	19	10
Alexr. Dalrymple	ditto.										
from 9th. May		4	13	5	..	1	16	11	4	22	10
John Davidson	ditto.										
from 9th. June		3	15	5	..	1	9	2	3	23	25
The Revd. Mr. Robt. Palk	Chaplains.			100	..	50	—	—	125	—	—
The Revd. Mr. Samuel Stavely	Chaplains.			100	..	50	—	—	125	—	—
Andrew Munro	Surgeons.			36	..	18	—	—	45	—	—
Robert Turing	Surgeons.			36	..	18	—	—	45	—	—
				@ 8sh. ℔ Pags.	£	701	8	—	1753	18	—

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ERRORS EXCEPTED
℔ HENRY POWNEY,
Accompt.

ACCOUNT of Deficiency of Stores Receiv'd ℔ Ship Dragon Captain Henry Kent Vizt:

		£	s.	d.
To 3 lb Pewter Basons	5		12	2¼
To 2 lb. Do.	6		9	9
To 1 lb. Do.	1		—	9¾
To Pewter Tankards	3		4	4½
To Do. Barbers Potts	2		4	11
To Cutlery N. 1 Large Scissars	6		1	—
4 Rasors	35		8	¾
7 Large Butchers Knifes 2..	2		—	4½
16 Women scissars	24		6	7¼
To Looking Glasses	3		5	1
To Negroes Collars	1		1	8
To Chains	1		8	3
To Revetts	14		—	2
To feet Shaikles	3		3	3
To Needles	200		1	1
To Gloves	½ lb.		9	11
To Pint Cans	1		1	—
To half pint Do.	3		1	11
To Beads	11 lb.	—	10	1
		4	10	5
Advance 30 ℔ Cent ..		1	7	2
@ 8sh ℔ Pags. ..	£	5	17	8

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18TH. SEPTR. 1753.

ALEXR: WYNCH,
Storekr.

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EXTRAORDINARY EXPENCES in the Paymasters Accounts are in the following Particulars August 31st. 1753.

CHARGES GENERAL				
Oil allowances more than last Month	8	11	45
CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY	265	1	47
REPAIRS	1480	20	56
FORTIFICATIONS	1949	25	76
POONAMALEE &c^{a}. VILLAGES	26	32	20
S^{T} : THOME &c^{a}. VILLAGES	25	6	20
EXPEDITION to NEGRAIS	41	9	—
HOUSEHOLD NECESSARIES..	60	1	17
Pagodas ..	3857	—	41

TO CHARLES BOURCHIER ESQ^{R}.

SIR

Agreeable to the Orders you receiv'd from the President and Council I now deliver up to them the Bond of the late President and Council of this Place to Nicholas Morse Esq^{r}. for Pagodas twenty Thousand; I sent an attested Copy of this to M^{r}. Benyon but know of no Duplicates either of this or the thirty Thousand Pagodas Bond. I am

SIR

FORT S^{T} : GEORGE,
21ST. SEPTEMBER 1753.

Your most Obed^{t}. hb̃le Serv^{t}.
WILLIAM PERCEVAL.

26 Arrived, Ship S^{t}. Juan Baptista, Thomas Savage, from Manilha, Mess^{rs}. Norton Nicholls & Will^{m}. Roberts Supra Cargoes, and M^{r}. Charles Hopkins Passenger, who having left Vizagapatm in March last in a Sloop in order to proceed to DeveCotah, of which Place he was appointed Chief, was unfortunately blown off the Coast, and after a tedious Passage got to Acheen where he was taken up by this ship.

— Sailed The Hoñble Company's sloop Dragon, Vallabou Syrang for Fort S^{t}. David, with a General Letter to the Deputy Governour & Council there dated the 25th. Instant.

— Sent by Tappies General Letter to Fort S^{t}. David dated this Day.

27 Received by Pattamar two General Letters from the Chief & Factors at Tellicherry dated the 5th. and 28th. August last.

28 Arrived the Hoñble Company's Ship Prince George Edward Burman from Fort Marlbro & Batavia with General Letters Duplicates whereof were received by the Delawar also a Gen^{l}. Letter from M^{r}. Roger Carter at Moco Moco dated the 21st. June last, And M^{r}. Samuel Ardley Passenger.

— Arrived ship Brill, David Robinson from Bussorah last from Fort S^{t}. David, with a General Letter from M^{r}. Brabazon Ellis Resident at Bussorah dated 14th. July last, And Gen^{l}. Letter from Fort S^{t}. David dated 26th. Instant.

— Sailed Sloop George Tho^{s}. Reason, for Bandarmalanka.

29 Received by Tappies General Letter from DeveCotah dated the 24th. Instant.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVR. PRESIDt. — OCTOBER MONDAY THE 1ST.
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXR. WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of that Consultation read & signed.

General Letters read Vizt.

N. 158 and N. 159 from the Chief and Factors at Tellicherry, The first dated the 5th. August last advising the Receipt of our Letter of the 10th. June, and in answer thereto acquainting us that on a supposition from the Appearance of a plentifull Crop, The season may produce sufficient to load home three ships with what may be in Readiness at Anjengo, including those that may be sent from Bombay, if their Investment should not be impeded by Troubles in the Country of which there is some appearance, The second dated the 28th. August acquainting us the situation of their affairs afford them no Prospect of being able to supply more than the Tonnage they may receive from Bombay. Genl. Letter from Tellicherry read.

N. 160, Sundry Papers in the Packet from Fort Marlbro, a Duplicate of the General Letter which accompanied them dated the 25 June 1753, N. 134 having been received by the Delawar and read then in Consultation. Papers from Fort Marlbro.

N. 161 from Mr. Roger Carter at Moco Moco dated 21st. June last Representing that the Deputy Govr. and Council had thought proper to appoint him to be provisional Resident there during Mr. Combes's Absence that he had accordingly exerted himself in putting the Company's affairs there on a better footing than they had been for some years, in which he hoped to have succeeded, when to his great surprize, he received Advice of his being recalled and that Mr. Randolph Marriot was appointed to that Presidency in which he thinks himself hardly dealt by as there was no other Reason for this appointment than that Mr. Marriot is his senior by one only, desiring to be remanded back to Moco Moco. From Roger Carter [at] Moco Moco.

N. 162 from Mr. Brabazon Ellis Resident at Bussorah dated the 14th. July last advising the Receipt of our Letter dated 12th. Febry with a Packet for the Honble Court of Directors which was forwarded from thence by a Caravan the 26th. June. Genl. Letter from Bussorah read.

N. 163. from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort St. David dated the 26th. Septr. acquainting us that in Compliance with our Letter of the 18th. They had admitted Mr. Pybus to the seat at their Board in the Room of Mr. Dawsonne Drake and acquainted the latter with our Directions for his coming up hither which he had promised to do. That if they have been guilty of any Error in not sooner shewing their Obedience to our Commands, it has been on this & other Occasions owing to the dark & concise Manner in which they are expressed. That they have laden & consigned to us on the Brill One hundred & ten Bales, Bill of Lading & Invoice whereof they inclose, desiring an Invoice may be sent them of the Teak Timber landed there from the Delawar. Genl. Letter from Fort St. David read.

N. 164 From Mr. George Dawson at DeveCotah dated 24th. Septr. serving only to accompany the Accounts of that settlement for the Month's of July and August. Genl. Letter from DeveCotah.

AGREED that a General Letter be wrote to the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort St. David acquaining them of the arrival of the Brill with the Bales they sent us. That if at any time they found themselves at a Loss for our meaning by the dark and concise Manner of our Expressing ourselves as they say, They should have desired an Explanation and not have proceeded on their Fort St. David to be wrote to.

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own Judgment, that we would have them point out wherein our Directions are unintelligible that 'tis true we are not prolix, and wish they would use less Circumlocution in their Letters & Consultations but attend more to the subject.

Bengal to be wrote to & desired to send a ship for the surplus Pepper at Marlbro.

The Deputy Governour & Council of Fort Marlbrough having advised, that they are in Expectation of having two hundred Tons of surplus Pepper this season AGREED to write to the President and Council of Bengal desiring them to load on one of the Companys ships as much saltpetre, Redwood & other Goods as with the said two hundred Tons of Pepper will Compleat Her Charterparty Tonnage and dispatch her to the West Coast to take in the same, Ordering the Commander to touch here for our Duplicate Papers & advices.

Bombay to be wrote to.

RESOLVED that a Pattamar be dispatched to Bombay with a General Letter to the President and Council there advising them that the Bills of Exchange they remitted us for Arcot Rupees One hundred & three thousand one hundred & twenty five (A.Rs. 103125) have been duely paid and that we have forwarded the Amount to Bengal on the Honble Company's ship Dragon, That having recēd. his Majesty's Charter constituting a Mayor's and other Courts, We are at a Loss for the usual Ensigns of State such as the Sword, Mace, Silver Oar &ca. which were carried away by the French, and that we desire they will order such to be made for us as are in use with them.

Mr. Perceval desires a Bond from the late President & Council to Sidney Foxal may be sent in the Compys. Packet ꝑ Delawar.

Letter from Mr. William Perceval, read as entered hereafter, enclosing a Letter to Richard Wiat and James Whitechurch Esqrs. and also a Bond from Nicholas Morse Esqr. late President & Council of Fort St. George to Mr. Sydney Foxal for one thousand four hundred Pagodas representing that the said Messrs. Wiat & Whitechurch have obliged themselves to deliver up the said Bond to the Honble Court of Directors in the year 1754, and requesting that the same may be forwarded in the Company's Packet by the Delawar.

The said Bond being read and found agreeable to the Recital in Mr. Perceval's Letter is now enclosed in a Cover, sealed with the Company's seal and directed to Richard Wiat and James Whitechurch Esqrs. in London.

Granted.

ORDER'D that the same be forwarded in the Packets as desired.

Mr. Perceval desires Money deposited in the Companys Cash on Accott. of Mr. John Byers may be delivered to him as Administrator.

Letter from Mr. William Perceval read as entered hereafter requesting that the Moneys deposited, in the Honble Company's Cash at Fort St. David on account of the Estate of Captn. John Byers deceased, and also the Papers left in the Secretary's Office relating to his affairs may be paid & deliverd to him as Administrator to the said deceased.

Granted.

ORDER'D that on Mr. Perceval's producing proper Letters of Administration the said deposited Cash and Papers be paid & deliver'd to him accordingly and that the same be wrote off in the Genl. Books.

Mr. Ardley desires an allowance for his charges in removing hither from Marlbro.

Letter from Mr. Samuel Ardley read as entered herafter Requesting some allowance for his charges in removing from the West Coast to this Settlement agreeable to the Orders of the Honble Court of Directors.

50 Pags. granted.

AGREED that Fifty Pags. be allowed Mr. Ardley for his Expences in removing which must have been considerable by the long stay of the Prince George at Batavia on which ship he took Passage.

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THE President lays before the Board as entered hereafter a Letter from Mr. John Brohier representing that it would contribute to preserve the Health of the Coffrey women if they were better cloathed in the rainy weather, That a Coffrey man who formerly belonged to the Company at St. Helena & now is employed as a smith in the yard having applied to him for shoes & Cloathing which he says he was allowed at St. Helena, he thinks it would be an Encouragement to him.

Coffree women to be cloathed & an allowance made to a Coffree smith.

ORDER'D that proper Cloathing be provided for the Coffree women, that the Man be employed in the Armoury and that he have such monthly allowance as is usual to other Persons in that Branch to provide himself with Diet, cloathing, & Necessaries.

Translation of a Letter from Messrs. Balleu & P'deffay Salazae read as entered hereafter, setting forth that they have heard it reported the Company have ordered the confiscated Houses at Madrass to be restored to the Proprietors That one of those houses did belong to them, and requesting that the Board will consider of their former Application on that subject & espouse their Interest.

Letter from Messrs. Balleu & Salazae about their confiscated house.

ORDER'D that the Secretary return them an answer that as the Rule of our Conduct is the Order of our superiours, had we received any such Directions as they mention we should not have delayed to execute them.

the Secretary to return an answer.

As it is reasonable to expect the Vizagapatam & Ingeram Bales may arrive here by the 15th. or 20th. Instant at furthest ORDER'D that no more brown cloth be sent to the Wash than what can be cured & got ready in that time to be laden on the Delawar.

No more Cloth to be sent to the Wash than can be cured by the [20]th. Instant.

ORDER'D that the Honble Company's ship Prince George be victualled and prepared to return to the West Coast with the Supravizors, and that the several Articles indented for from thence be laden and consigned to the Gentlemen there by that ship.

The Prince George proceed with the Supravizors to the West Coast.

There being a Ballance in the Vizagapatam Books of two thousand five hundred & ninety two Pagodas & seventy eight Cash (2592 — 78) due from the Estate of Mr. John Stratton deceased ORDER'D that the Secretary demand the same of his Executors.

Ballance due from Mr. John Stratton to the Company to be demanded of his Exrs.

An account of Captn. Burman's Disbursements on the Honble Companys ship Prince George, also his accounts Current are now laid before the Board examined and approved.

Account Disbursements on the Prince George approved.

A Bill of sale to Mrs. Lewis de Medeiros, on the Ground whereon the House lately agreed to be purchased of his Executors on the Companys account is erected being laid before the Board, ORDER'D That a Bill of sale from the said Executors to the Company of the said House and Ground be prepared and that the Secretary acquaint Mrs. Medeiros therewith.

A Bill of sale to be prepared for the house lately purchased of Mr. Medeiros.

Pursuant to an Order of last Consultation the Secretary lays before the Board an account of what has been paid into Cash since the 31st. May 1746 on account of the arrears then due on the Company's Farms and of what yet remains due thereon ORDER'D that the said arrears be demanded of the several Persons from whom the same is respectively due.

Accot. Arrears of what is due on the Farms before the Loss of Madrass, produced. The Arrears to be demanded.

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Bales to be shipp'd on the Delawar.

ORDER'D that the Warehouse keeper send what Bales are ready on board the Delawar, and that the Secretary deliver the Commander an Order to receive the same and the usual Caution against Fire, Damage &c^{a}.

Orders to Captains Winter & Burman in Case of bad Weather.

The Secretary is also directed to deliver to Captains Winter, and Burman Orders in case of bad weather to anchor further out or put to sea if they judge it dangerous continuing in the Road and to return as soon as the Danger is passed.

Cash account read.

The President reads the Cash account for Last Month, Ballance remaining compared with the Chest twenty five thousand Nine hundred and fifty six Pagodas thirty two fanams and one Cash (P^{s}. 25956. 32. 1) and Five hundred and twenty (520) Madrass Pagodas which is carried forward.

Treasury accot^{t}. read.

The Treasury accounts for last month are also read, The several Ballances being compared and found right are one Million two hundred and forty six thousand Eight hundred and sixty four Arcot Rupees four anaes and seven

A.Rs. As. Ps.

Pice (1246864. 4. 7) and eight thousand three hundred and twenty (8320) Madrass Rupees which are carried forward.

Import Warehousekr. pays money into Cash.

The Import Warehousekeeper pays into Cash the sum of Pagodas sixteen hundred & twenty one Twenty two fanams & thirty Cash, (1621. 22. 30) on account of Rupees sold.

advanced To the Military Paymaster.

AGREED That the following advances be made out of Cash Viz^{t}.

To the Military Paymaster to pay the Military four thousand five hundred & forty Pagodas nineteen fanams & thirty seven Cash (4540. 19. 37).

Paymaster. & Commissary

To the Paymaster to defray the Charges of that Employ four thousand seven hundred & seventy Pagodas, Nine fanams & fifty nine Cash (4770. 9. 59).

To the Commissary to defray the Expences of the Troops abroad, Two thousand Eight hundred & ten Pagodas twenty nine fanams & fifteen Cash (2810. 29. 15).

THO^{S}: SAUNDERS.
CHA^{S}: BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
A^{R}: WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CH^{S}: BOURCHIER.

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Dr.	The Honble United Company's Cash				℔ Contra	Cr.		
1.	To Ballance brought from last Months Account .. ..Pags.	18,556	16	37	4. By Charles Boddam Paymaster advanced him for the Charges of that Employ ..	5,270	9	59
4.	To Henry Powney Sea Customer receiv'd of him in Part of a Ballance of that account for last Month	1,500	—	—	— By Tonnapah, Condapah, &c[a]. Painters advanced them on account of Paintings to be performed by them	7,000	—	—
—	To Henry Powney Import Warehouse-keeper receiv'd of him on account of Rupees sold	3,888	32	—	— By Alex[r]. Wynch Commissary advanced him to defray the Expences of the Troops abroad	3,888	32	—
10.	To Henry Powney Sea Customer receiv'd of him in further part of the Ballance of that account for last Month	1,000	—	—	10. By Fort St. David paid ℔ Order of Consultation the 4th. Instant a Bill of Exchange drawn on us by the Deputy Governour and Council dated the 30th Ult°. in favour of Mr. John Smith for Money paid into the Companys Cash there	200	—	—
--	To Henry Powney Import Warehousekeeper receiv'd of him on account of Rupees sold	1,666	24	—	By Alex[r]. Wynch Commissary advanced him to defray the Expences of the Troops abroad	1,666	24	—
17	To Henry Powney Sea Customer received of him further in part of the Ballance of that account for last Month	1,000	—	—	17 By Alex[r]. Wynch Commissary advanced him to defray the Expences of the Troops abroad	1,388	32	—
—	To Henry Powney Import Wareh$_o$use-keeper received of him on acco$_{tt}$. of Rupees sold	1,388	32	—	By account current London paid Mr. Alex[r]. Wynch attorney to Mr. Rob[t]. Sloper a Certificate of the late President & Council of Madrass dated 2[d]. November 1746 for sundry's supplied the store-keep[r]. as ℔ order of Consultation the 27th. Ult°. Principal— Pags. 377 18 —			
24.	To Henry Powney Sea Customer received of him in further part of the Ballance of that account for last Month	1,500	—	—	Interest thereon for yrs. ms. ds. 6· 9· 27 at 8 ℔ Cent ℔ Annum .. 206 3 78			
—	To Henry Powney Import Warehousekeeper receiv'd of him on acc^{o}tt. of Rupees sold	21,944	16	—		588	21	78
	To Alex[r]. Wynch Military storekeeper received of him in full for the Ballance of that account for last Month	7	3	31				
	To John Smith Land Customer received of him in full for the Ballance of that account for last Month	709	25	70				
	To Numboor Soubiah, Linga Chittee &c[a]. late Farmers of the Poonamalee Country received of them in full of six Months Rent of that Cowle due the 30th. of June last at which time it expired	17,500	—	—				
	Carried Over ..	70,653	5	58	Carried Over...	19,998	11	57

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THE HONBLE UNITED COMPANY'S CASH—*cont.*

Brought Over ..	70,653	5	58
Star or Curt. Pags. ..	70,653	5	58

℔ CONTRA—*cont.*

				Cr.
Brought Over ..	19,998	11	57	
22. By Fort St. David paid by Order of Consultation the 10th. Instant, a Bill of Exchange drawn on us by the Deputy Governour & Council dated 6th. Instant in favour of Mr. John Brohier for money paid into the Honble Company's Cash there	1,000	—	—	
By Alexr. Wynch Commissary advanced him for the Expences of the Troops abroad	21,944	16	—	
By Account sallary paid the Honble Companys covenanted servants for last six months ending the 25th. Instant ℔ Order of Consultation the 24th. Instant	1,753	18	—	
	44,696	9	57	
By Ballance carried to next Month's account	25,956	32	1	
Star or Curt. Pags. ..	70,653	5	58	

Dr.

MADRASS PAGODAS

1 To Ballance brought from last Months account	520	—	—

℔ CONTRA

			Cr.
By Ballance carried to next Months account	520	—	—

ERRORS EXCEPTED

℔ THOMAS SAUNDERS.

Treasury Accounts, Fort St. George, September 1753.

Current Pagodas.

Dr.							Cr.		
3	To Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master received of him.				7000	— —	24th. By Fort St. David sent thither ℔ Sloop Dragon	25000	— —
11	To	Do.	do.	do.	7000	— —	By the Honble Company's Cash ..	20000	— —
14	To	Do.	do.	do.	5000	— —			
18	To	Do.	do.	do.	6000	— —			
20	To	Do.	do.	do.	4000	— —			
26	To	Do.	do.	do.	6000	— —			
29	To	Do.	do.	do.	5000	— —			
	To Import Warehousekeeper received of him				5000	— —			
					45000	— —		45000	— —

Errors Excepted
℔ Thomas Saunders.
Charles Boddam.
Henry Powney.

Treasury Accounts, Fort St. George, September 1753.

Arcot Rupees.

Dr.					Cr.			
1	To Ballance brought from last Month ..	618426	12	7	7	By Import Warehousekr. delivered him for sale	14000	— —
5	To Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master received of him	240000	—	—	12	By Do. do. do. ..	6000	— —
22	To Bombay Presidency received the Amount of their Bill on Aridata Nameidoss	51562	8	—	17	By Bengal Presidency sent thither on ship Dragon	103125	— —
	To Thos. Saunders Esqr. Mint Master received of him	400000	—	—	18	By Import Warehousekr. deliver'd him for sale	5000	— —
30	To Do. do. do. ..	72000	—	—	27	By Do. do. do. ..	7000	— —
							135125	— —
					30	By Ballance	1246864	4 7
		1381989	4	7			1381989	4 7

Errors Excepted.
℔ Thomas Saunders.
Charles Boddam.
Henry Powney.

Madrass Rupees.

Dr.					Cr.			
30	To Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mintmaster received of him	8320	—	—	30	By Ballance	8320	— —

Errors Excepted.
℔ Thomas Saunders.
Charles Boddam.
Henry Powney.

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To the Honble Thomas Saunders Esqr.
President and Governor &ca. Council of Fort St: George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I take the Liberty to trouble you with a Letter to go in the Honble Company's Packett by the ship Delawar directed to Richard Wiat and James Whitchurch Esqrs. containing a Bond given by the late President & Council of this Place to Mr. Sidney Foxall for Pagodas One thousand four hundred, which those Gentlemen have obliged themselves to deliver up to the Court of Directors in the Year 1754; I have no Duplicate to this Bond, which is the Reason of giving you this Trouble, that in case any accident, which God forbid, should happen to this ship, Those Gentlemen may be indemnified for the said Bond, I am

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient servant
William Perceval.

Fort St: George,
27th. Septr. 1753.

To the Honble Thomas Saunders Esqr.
President & Governour &ca. Council of Fort St: George.

Honble Sir and Sirs

The Mayors Court having granted me Power to administer to the Estate of Captn. John Byers deceased as Chief Creditor I request the favour of you to pay me such sum or sums of Money as were paid into the Honble Company's Cash at Fort St. David on account of the said Estate, also that you will please to order all Papers that may be in the Secretary's Office relating thereto, may be deliver'd to me.

I am
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedt. humble servt
William Perceval.

Fort St: George,
29th. Septr. 1753.

Translation.

To the Gentlemen of the Council
at Madrass.

Pondicherry,
The 23d. Septr. 1753.

Gentlemen

There has lately been spread a Report which, as it concerns us, is the Occasion of our taking the Liberty to address you, We know not how true it may be, and we even perswade ourselves that if it had any Grounds, your Equity Gentlemen would have prompted you not to delay the Executn. It is said that the Gentlemen of your Company have wrote to you to restore to the Proprietors the Houses in your Town and which a Change in affairs obliged them to abandon.

As you are sensible, Gentlemen, that we were possess'd of one as well in our own Right as by Descent from our ancestors, we hope you will please to recollect the Requests We have made you on this subject, and we too just a

sense of your Penetration not to imagine that we are beholden to your proper Representations for the favourable sentiments your Company seem in this Respect to have of us, in directing to be restored to us, Those Possessions which could not suffer from the abovementioned Circumstances, We with entire confidence, hope you will take our Concern under your care and that you will beleive us to be with profound Respect

GENTLEMEN
Your most humble & most
Obedient servants
BALLEU.
Pº. DEFFAY SALAZAC.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR OF FORT STr: GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR

The Coffrey Women, slaves to the Honble Company employed on the Works complain of a want of Cloathing particularly in the rainy weather, and as the Monsoon is coming on I take the Liberty to represent that I conceive it will contribute much to the Preservation of their Health if they are allowed what is necessary for it. There is a Coffrey smith who works in the Yard, and has also worked at Stt. Helena who has applied to me for Shoes and Cloathing as he says he has always been allowed it at Stt. Helena. If the same Indulgence is allowed him here, it will induce him to do his duty with Diligence, submitting it to your superiour Judgement. I am most respectfully

HONBLE SIR
Your most Obedt. & most
humble Servant
JOHN BROHIER.

FORT STr. GEORGE,
1ST. OCTOBER 1753.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Understanding that some allowance is usually allotted the Honble Company's servants when removed from one Settlement in India to another for defraying the charges of the voyage, I beg the Liberty of applying to your Honour &ca. for what you judge proper to grant me on this account, which I am more especially led to request, as the long stay of the Prince George at Batavia has put me to very extraordinary tho' unavoidable Expence and I flatter myself that your consideration thereof will be an Inducement to your ordering me a Reimbursement.

I am with the greatest Respect
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most humble & most
Obedt. Servant
SAMUEL ARDLEY

FORT STr. GEORGE,
OCTOBR. THE 1ST. 1753.

2 Arrived Snow Ann Hugh Morgan from Goa.

— Sent by Tappies General Letter to the Deputy Govr. & Council of Fort Stt. David dated this day.

— Received by Pattamars Genl. Letters from Bengal dated
30th. July
from Vizagapatam 31st. Augt. } last.
Dº. 11 Septr.

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Arrived Ketch Betsy, John Griffin, from Bengal with Genl. Letter from the President & Council dated 3d. September last and a Box Packet for our Honble Masters to be forwarded. 3

Arrived Sloop Orange Tree, William Dougan, from Batavia. —

Sent by Tappies a Letter from the Secretary to the Deputy Governour & Council of Fort St. David enclosing Invoice of Teak, Timbers landed there out of the Delawar. —

Sent by Pattamar Genl. Letter to the President & Council of Bombay dated this Day. —

Sailed ship Lisle, James Munro, for Vizagapatam. 5

Arrived ship Mary, Alexr. Reed from Bengal. 6

Do. Snow Don Carlos, Herbert Sutherland, from Ingeram with a Genl. Letter from Mr. Foss Westcott Resident there dated 20th. Septr. & Captn. John Grant Passenger.

Received by Tappies Genl. Letter from Fort St. David dated the 4th. Instant. 7

At a Consultation

Present

Thomas Saunders Esqr. Govr. Presidt. — Monday The 8th.
Charles Boddam. Henry Powney.
Alexander Wynch. John Smith.
Charles Bourchier.

The Book of standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of last Consultation read & signed.

General Letters read Vizt.

N. 165, and N. 168 From the Honble the President & Council of Bengal the first dated the 30th. July, acquainting us of the arrival there of the Company's Sloop Sea Horse and ship Montfort by which they received our Letters of the 20th. June & 15 July, That they are sorry the Gun powder they sent us turned out so bad, The Musters they bought it by, were good, and the Moors insisted on being paid before they delivered it Hughly, what they shall send us in September is made by Mr. Witherington, and will, they hope be satisfactory. That the Treasure ℔ Montfort turned out right. That they are concerned We should revive a standing Order of near 20 Years ago in Relation to their ships importing at Places to the southward. The Reason of which they say is that they have at those Places found immediate Vent for their Goods, whereas by consigning them here they have by Reason of the Troubles remained four or five years unsold, whereby the Proprietors are sufferers 40 or 50 ℔ Cent on prime Cost by Loss of Interest besides the Commanders of their ships complain of suffering Delays here by want of Boats which they are not subject to at other Places, That they shall be explicit to our Honble Masters on the subject, as our Paragraph might otherwise make an Impression on them to their Disadvantage, That as our Honble Masters affairs require it, They have no Objection to our detaining the Military intended for them, but hope as soon as We can spare them we will do it. That they propose in a few days to dispatch a sloop to the Negrais with stores for Mr. Hunter, but it is not in their Power to furnish him with all the Artificers he wrote for, having as yet prevailed only on some Bricklayers and Cooleys to proceed thither and that on extravagant terms, That they will endeavour to engage some Carpenters and Caulkers & send them there or here and should be glad to know when we shall send any Vessell thither. The second dated the 3d. September advising the

Genl. Letter from Bengal read.

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Arrival of the Portfield That her Treasure turned out right, That they should be glad to know our sentiments in Regard to the Disposal of the Companys ships, That they apprehend they shall be obliged to detain two, and make us the Offer of freighting one or both of them on the terms We wrote our Honble Masters We could procure for the Hardwick & Scarbrō or, (if those can't be procured) on any other terms whereby the Demorage may be saved. That they send us a Box Packet for our Honble Masters which they desire us to forward. That they will send us up the Durrington in January half laden.

Genl. Letters from Vizagapatam read.

N. 166 and N. 167, From George Pigot Esq^{r}. Chief &c^{a}. Council of Vizagapatam, The first dated 31st. Aug^{t}. acknowledging the Receipt of our Letter, 27th. July ℔ Sloop Syren with the Treasure and stores, also that of the 13th. August with the Madeira Wine & Copper ℔ Winchelsea, That Colonel Scott's stay there being but short he could not be so accurate as might be wished. That the Chief of what he has recommended to be set about is a wall from Marlin's Point to Fornery's Battery in lieu of the present Palisadoes. The Repair of Simpson's Battery & a small Ditch & Draw Bridge before the Mettah Gate. That they will comply with our Directions relating to Ordnance &c^{a}. & a monthly abstract That they supplied the Sea Horse with sundry Articles and sent an account thereof to Bengal. That M^{r}. Pigot has wrote to the Nabob for Leave to coin the Copper, The other dated 11th. Sept^{r}. acquainting us that the Nabob had refused them the Liberty of coining the Copper, saying that the French who are our Enemy's are very great with Salabat Jing, that however they should be under no Apprehensions were they to coin without further Application, but shall wait our Orders. Enclosing their monthly Papers.

Genl. Letter from Ingeram read.

N. 169 From M^{r}. Foss Westcott at Ingeram dated 20th. Ultimo advising that he has consign'd to us on the Snow Don Carlos One hundred Bales Callicoes which he hopes will make up in Quality for what is wanting of the Quantity usually sent from that Place, enclosing Invoice, Bill of Lading and Monthly Papers.

Genl. Letter from Fort St. David read.

N. 170 From the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort S^{t}. David dated the 4th. Instant advising the Receipt of ours of the 26th., That the Reason of their advancing Irshippa Chitty so large a sum at once of ten thousand Pagodas was because his Ballance was very small and he promised to bring in Cloth as fast as he should be supplyed with money and has already furnished very near half that sum, & they expect he will soon bring in the whole, that he is the only one of all their Merchants they can depend on, and they were willing to lessen the Ballances of the others which was the Reason they made them no advances. That they have acquainted Cootah as well as Cawn Moodelair & Tonneveroy Pilla with our Directions and shall trouble us no further on that head. In Regard to the Cloathing of the Bombay Detachment. They enclose Captn. Gardiners answer that they have wrote to Captn. Schaub for Rolls of his Detachm^{t}. that they have drawn on us for Pagodas three hundred and fifty one (351) payable to the Honble Tho^{s}. Saunders Esq^{r}. value Received into the Honble Company's Cash of M^{r}. Peter S^{t}. Paul enclosing their monthly Papers.

Bengal to be wrote to.

AGREED That in the next General Letter to the Gentlemen at Bengal we reply to their Paragraph relating to the Standing Order against their ships import^{g}. to the southward, That the argument they use Viz^{t}. That their Goods have remained here five years unsold, is of no force, for they were of such a sortment as would not have met with quick vent at the other Places nay some of those very Goods having been tried at the southern Ports ineffectually were afterwards brought here and disposed of, and had the Cargos which they represent met with a quick sale to the southward been imported at our settlements being chiefly Grain, they would have succeeded as well, nor can any Reason be assigned why the Troubles in the Country should affect our Ports more than any other but even if it were so this could be no Excuse for the Brittania's importing at Pondicherry two years ago which Place has felt the Effects

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of the War fall as much as any of our settlements if not more. That we dont but our Honble Masters may receive an unfavourable Impression of their Conduct in this Respect to whom We shall likewise be very explicit in our Representation of the Affair.

Nabob Mahomed Mohein Cawn to be wrote to about coining Dubbs at Vizagapatm.

As Nabob Mahomed Mohein Cawn's Reasons for refusing to permitt our Coining Dubbs at Vizagapatam appear (by his Letter to Mr. Pigot) to proceed rather from his Apprehensions of offending the French than that it would otherwise be disagreeable to him, The President is desired to write him a Letter, and tis agreed that Mr. Pigot be directed to do so likewise, acquainting him that as We observe his granting Us Permission to coin Dubbs at Vizagapatam may be attended with some Inconvenience to him We will not press it but desire that he will not take Umbrage at our doing for the immediate use of our own settlements only, without his Leave from whence no ill Consequences are likely to arise.

Batavia to be wrote to.

AGREED that a General Letter be wrote by the Prince George to the Governour and Council of Batavia to return them Thanks for their Civilities and services to our shipping to desire the continuance of Harmony and Friendship and to assure them of our Readyness to shew them any good Offices in Return.

Mr. John Pybus appointed supravisor of the West Coast in the Room of Mr. Drake. Mr. Hugh Norris appointed 3d. in Council &ca at St. David. The Prince George to call at Fort St. David for Mr. Pybus.

Mr. Dawsonne Drake being determined. not to proceed to the West Coast as one of the supravizors, ORDERED That Mr. John Pybus who is next in standing (except Mr. Andrews who cannot be spared from Madapollam) and very capable of the Charge, proceed thither in that station with Mr. Walsh on the Prince George, That Mr. Hugh Norris the next in Rank to him proceed to Fort St. David by the first Conveyance as third in Council there and take Charge of the Employs of Paymaster & Military Paymaster. That the Prince George be got ready as soon as possible and call at Fort St. David, to take up Mr. Pybus, and that a General Letter be wrote to the Gentlemen there acquainting them of this Resolution and that Mr. Pybus is required to prepare himself accordingly.

Cargo of Rice & Salt to be laden on the Prince George for Fort Marlbro. & also the Coffrey women.

RESOLVED That a Cargo of Rice & Salt be laden on the Prince George for the use of the West Coast altho the Gentlemen there have not indented for any which it is imagined must be an Omission as in the 18th. Para. of their General Letter dated 14th. April They mention an Indent for stores in that Packet tho' none was set [*sic*]. RESOLVED also that the Coffree women received here from the Dragon be sent to Fort Marlbro by this Conveyance.

Report of the West Coast Committee read.

The Committee for the West Coast affairs deliver in a Report of the state of Affairs there, as they have been able to collect it from the Books and Papers received from thence together with their Remarks on the same. ORDER'D that the same be entered after the Minutes of this Consultatn. that a Copy thereof be made for the Supravizors, that Instructions be prepared for them, and a General Letter to the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort Marlbro, and that a Commission be drawn out appointing the said Messrs. John Walsh and John Pybus Supravisors and empowering them during their Residence at the West Coast to Command all and every the Company's servants both Civil and Military and all other Persons whatsoever under the Company's Protection, and to suspend such as on a strict and impartial Enquiry shall be found unfaithfull.

Report Regulation of the Weights.

Letter from Messrs. John Walsh & Charles Turner read as entered hereafter containing their Report of the Weights which they have regulated by the standard received this season from Europe whereby it appears that some of them were two Ounces & an half too heavy and others defective, all which they have rectified and chopp'd.

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Messrs. Walsh and Vansittart epresent that Custom &ca. is demanded at Bengal on Coral &ca. sent from hence.

Letter from Messrs. Walsh and Vansittart read as entered hereafter, setting forth having in February last sent Part of a chest of Coral to Bengal on which they had paid Consulage & Customs here, their Correspondent has advised them that the same had been again demanded and paid there, and as no other Goods whatever from hence are liable to that Charge, They think it a particular Hardship and request Releif.

Certificates to be granted on Export from hence that Customs &ca. are paid &

ORDERED that in future on Exportation of Coral or any other such kind of Goods imported from Europe, Certificates be granted that the Customs & Consulage have been duely paid here, and

Bengal to be wrote to about it.

AGREED that We advise the Gentlemen at Bengal thereof and that as We think it an unreasonable as well as unprecedented Demand and in no ways within the Intention of our Honble Masters, We hope on producing such Certificates in future they will suffer the Coral &ca. mentioned in them to be imported free of further Charge.

Captn. Winter requests an advance on Charter party terms.

Letter from Captn. Thomas Winter read as entered hereafter, Requesting to be advanced two thousand Pagodas for sundry Disbursements on account of the ship Delawar on the terms of her Charter Party.

Granted.

AGREED that the same be advanced him accordingly.

Executor of Jon. Stratton requests time to pay a Balla. due to the Company till he can hear from England.

Letter from Mr. George Stratton the acting Executor in India of the last will and Testament of Mr. John Stratton deceas'd read as entered hereafter, setting forth that the Secretary demanded of him by order of the Board Payment of the Ballance due from the said deceased to the Company and requesting that the same may not be insisted on until he can receive Advices from England as he is ignorant whether the same may not have been settled there with the Company.

Granted.

AGREED that the said Request be complied with and that the same be mentioned to the Company in our next General Letter.

Captn. John Clarke desires Leave to go home on the Delawar.

Letter from Captn. John Clarke read as entered hereafter, Requesting Permission to take his Passage to England on the Delawar.

Granted on the usual Terms.

ORDER'D That on his paying into the Company's Cash the usual sum of thirty Pagodas for Permission, The Secretary serve Captn. Winter with a Permitt to receive him on board with his Necessary's.

Mr. Brohier permitted to send home p Delawar 4 Boxes of Mathematical Instruments.

Mr. John Brohier requesting Permission to send to England on the Delawar four Boxes to Mr. Ellicote containing a Transit for taking the altitude of the Flight of Rockets and a sea quadrant which were sent out to the late Mr. Robins, ORDER'D That the Secretary serve Captn. Winter with a Permitt to receive the same on board.

Captn. of the Don Carlos snow his Protest against the sea's read.

A Letter from Captn. Herbert Sutherland of the Don Carlos snow read as entered hereafter, serving as a Protest to indemnify himself from any Damages the Company's Bales may have sustained thro' the Badness of the Weather he met with in his Passage from Ingeram.

Damaged Cloth (if any) from Ingerman to be rewashed.

ORDER'D That the Export Warehousekr. examine the Ingeram Bales and report to the Board their Condition, and in the mean time that the damaged Cloth (if any) be rewashed with the greatest Expedition.

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It being doubtfull what Quantity of Bales may be received from Vizagapatam, tho' there is the greatest Reason to beleive that the utmost Quantity form all Parts will not exceed twelve hundred, and as it is highly necessary on account of the approaching Monsoon & Rainy Weather that all the Bales We have ready to be shipp'd on the Delawar which there will be a Necessity for unslowing again, should the Vizagapatam Bales be insufficient to compleat her Tonnage, in order to put on board in Salt Petre what might be wanting in Bales. To prevent these Inconveniencies, It is agreed that so much Salt Petre as with twelve hundred Bales will compleat the Charter Party Tonnage be now laden on the Delawar including therein the Twenty Tons of Salt Petre requested by Captn. Winter and ordered in Consultation the 24th. Ultimo to be laden at half freight, but which in this Case is to be reckoned at whole Freight & part of the Charter Party Tonnage, The Commander not having yet signed agreements for the same and in Case it shall happen contrary to Expectation that We should be able to procure a sufficient Quantity of Bales to compleat the Tonnage exclusive of all or any Part of the Salt Petre now ordered to be laden in that Case so much of the Salt Petre as shall exceed the Tonnage is to be reckoned at half freight only and the Commander is to sign Agreements accordingly allowing 5 ℔ Cent over & above the Kintlage salt Petre to make good the usual Wastage agreeable to the 26th. Para. of the Genl. Letter from England dated 15th. Decr. 1752.

Charter Party Tonnage of the Delawar to be Compleated with salt Petre.

ORDER'D That the Box Packet received from Bengal for our Honble Masters be forwarded by the Delawar, and that a Copy of the West Coast Letter to England by the Godolphin be sent home in our Packet.

Bengal Box Packet to be forwarded ℔ the Delawar also Copy West Coast Letter ℔ Godolphin.

The Governour & Council of Batavia having made Restitution to Captn. Burman in his late voyage there on account of the Success Sloop and the two Prows unjustly seized by them ORDER'D that Captain Burman deliver in to the Board an account thereof, that the Gentlemen at Marlbrō may be acquainted with the same and receive their Proportions.

An account of the Restitution made at Batavia for the Prow's. &ca. seized there to be delivered in by Captn. Burman.

ORDER'D That in future all Goods What ever belonging to the Company intended to be sent from one settlement to another be weighed, measured, or packed in Presence of the Commander or Purser of the ship on which they are intended to be laden, That the Bills of Lading be signed positively, and not inside and Contents unknown as has been sometimes practised and that the Commanders be obliged to make good all Deficiencies.

All Goods to be weighed Measured o pack'd in Presence of the Captn. or Pursers who are to be answerable for all defficiencies.

The Import Warehousekeeper represents to the Board that the Medleys received from Europe this season are very much spotted and mildewed though the Cases did not appear to have received any Damage, and that this has been the Case for several years past as he is inform'd.

Medleys received from England mildewed.

AGREED That the same be represented to the Company.

to be represented home.

He also represents the Price at which the Company's Velvets & Camblets are now retailed at a much higher than was ever customary, and that the Inhabitants complan of the dearness. ORDER'D that they be retailed in future at the usual advance.

Advance on the Company's Velvets & Camblets retailed complained of.

The usual advance only to be charged.

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Estimate of Repairs to the Prison for Debtors ordered.

The Prison for Debtors adjoining to & under the old Court house being much out of Repair, ORDERED That Mr. Brohier survey the same and deliver in an Estimate of the Charge of repairing them.

Accotts. Quick stock from sub-ordinacies to be sent up.

The accounts of Quick stock not being yet sent up from Fort St. David and Madapollam, AGREED that it be mentioned to the Gentlemen at those settlements in the next General Letters.

Bills from Fort St. David to be accepted & paid.

The following Bills of Exchange drawn on us from Fort St. David being now presented Vizt.

One dated the 18th. August, for one thousand Pagodas payable to Captain Henry Schaub.

One dated the 3d. Instant for three hundred and fifty one Pagodas payable to the Honble Thomas Saunders Esqr.

ORDERED that they be accepted and paid when due, The first being advised in the General Letter from thence dated 18th. August and the other in that read in Consultation this Day.

A sett of Bills on the Company signed.

One sett of Bills of Exchange signed dated this day drawn on the Honble Court of Directors at Ninety days sight payable to the Reverend John St. Paul, value of Mr. Henry Vansittart on account of Mr. Peter St. Paul for fourty Pounds Sterl. (£. 40) or one hundred and four Pagodas twelve fanams & forty one Cash (Pags. 104. 12. 41) Excha. at seven shillings and Eight pence ℔ Pagoda the value being paid into the Honble Company's Cash.

Money paid into Cash By the Import Wareho. kr.

The Import Warehousekeeper pays into Cash the sum of three thousand (3000) Pagodas on his running account for last Month.

& Rental Genl. & Scavinger.

As does the Rental General & Scavenger One thousand (1000) Pagodas on account of Quitt Rents.

Cash advanced to The Military Paymaster & Military Storekeeper.

AGREED that the following Advances be made out of Cash Vizt.:

To the Military Paymr. to pay the Military one thousand (1000) Pagodas, And

To the Military Storekeeper for disbursements six hundred and fifty (650) Pagodas.

THOS: SAUNDERS.
CHAS: BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR: WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CHS: BOURCHIER.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.

PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Agreeable to your Orders We have perused the several Letters and Papers from the West Coast, The Remarks We have made thereon We now lay before you that you may make such Regulations as you judge necessary.

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FIRST CONCERNING SHIPPING.

The Gentlemen there being in want of sundry stores from Batavia surmising it would be no loss of time for the Delawar to return to them, commissioned Captn. Winter to purchase them, her passage proved very tedious, The Consequence may one time or other prove bad and as these Gentlemen cannot be acquainted with voyages intended for such ships, We think it should in future be avoided.

The several Vessells at the West Coast are sloop Cuddalore about 80 Tons, in May 1751 she stands charged $ 4277. 3. 15, In April 1752 she is debted to Robert Dunckley $ 4035. 1. 39 which ought to be particularly enquired into, she left Marlborough October 1752 and arrived here in a Condition almost irreparable.

Sloop Swallow about 40 Tons, in May 1751 stands $ 3802. 3. 62 and in April 1753 $ 3862. –. 37 her Credits for service being near equal to her Charges, but her Burthen not being above half of the Cuddalore, her value does not seem to be in Proportion which affords Matter of scrutiny.

Sloop Mary about 30 Tons in May 1751 stands $ 7204. 1. 40, In April 1752, $ 7249. –. 32 having been credited nearly equal to her Expences, but as her Burthen is small it may be very reasonably asked how she comes to be valued so high, it looks as if the due Credits have not been given her, for surely her Cost could not be so much.

Exclusive of these are upon the Books Ending 1752.

Marlbrō Long Boat	$ 150	—	—
Benjamin Long Boat	100	—	—
Panchelong	242	2	10
Marlbrō Hoy	534	—	30
Sloop Hawke	1428	2	36
Sloop Fame	1650	3	44
Sloop Louisa	4013	3	61

Where are these, and how employed?

We observe a Head of Charges Marine being a Constant Monthly expence of.

Syrang	1	10	—	
Tindal	1	7	2	
Do.	7 @ 7 ea.	49	—	
Helmsmen	8	40	—	
Noquedah sobs	3	13	2	
Do.	2	9		
Caulkers	3	18		
Lascars	24	78		
			$ 219	— —

how are these employed? If in Sloops and Boats they should be charged to them and due Credit given for the service of such Vessells, The Crew of each should be regulated and no hands suffered but what are employed.

We observe Sloop Mary had by strong Northerly Winds been driven from Croee to Batavia whence after a chargeable Repair and a Loading of sugar and Arrack put on board her, she returned to Marlbrō. Mr. Stephens requesting an extraordinary allowance it has been long suspected and by their own Letter, it appears that the Interest of private Persons and not Northerly winds, has drove these sloops often to Batavia, which is a most scandalous Practice and ought to be severely resented. We dont think there is any Occasion for an extraordinary Allowance to Mr. Stephens, and if these sloops were well fitted and two Months Provisions on board they would be able to stand the Weather and there would be no Excuse for their Deviation.

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A most notorious Neglect has for many years appeared in not keeping the sloops and small vessells belonging to the West Coast in proper Repair & no plausible Reason ever been assigned for not remedying it when the extravagant Expences in making a Jobb of it at Batavia are evident, and as you may have perceived by sloop Cuddalore the Charges by letting some of them run so far to decay as to be almost irreparable are considerable, some Method should be thought of to remove this ill convenience and if those Gentlemen would set heartily about it We think it might be easily effected, they have an exceeding good Dock at Poolo, Iron, Nails, Dammar, Oil, Junk, Pitch, Tar they have of their own Timber, Plank, Masts & yards are cheap at Batavia and may be brought them by the storeship, it may be objected there are no ship Carpenters, There are many Malay ones who dubb, plain, saw and do all work belonging to a common Carpenter, and with a proper European one to line out and the Master of the sloop to supravise, it may be done, for how many Vessells in India repair in this Manner, We therefore think it ought to be strongly recommended to them.

They are at present in want of sloops Therefore the Cuddalore should be return'd as soon as possible.

SECONDLY OF GOODS FROM EUROPE OR FROM ONE PART OF INDIA TO BE DISPOSED OF AT ANOTHER.

Our Honourable Masters in their seperate Letter of the 24th. January last recommend that the Prices of Wares &c^{a}. here and at Batavia should be compared that if the latter be more reasonable they may be supplied from thence by the store ship.

There appear several Deficiencys ℔ Delawar and Prince George which are referr'd here, in future they should be absolutely order'd to insist upon the Payment of such Deficiencies and Care should be taken here That the Bills of Lading be regularly signed which has not always been the Case.

As they are in Want of slaves the Coffree Women who are of very little use here should be sent them.

In their Letter ℔ Delawar they mention an Indent of stores, but none is come nor is any mention'd in the List of the Packet, There is a small one of Wares ℔ Prince George which may be easily complied with.

As the Company are so indulgent to permitt their servants to supply themselves with what they may be in want of out of their warehouse, it is but reasonable such an advance should be put upon them as will make good any Wastage or Damage that they are generally liable to.

THIRDLY TOUCHING INVESTMENTS.

By a survey of the Sugar & arrack Works by Mess^{rs}. Smith & Scott They appear in a flourishing Condition, The sugar sent us by the Delawar seems good, It sold for 16 Pagodas ℔ Candy which is as much or more than any from Batavia this Year, The Advances on this Account are upwards $ 5000 it should be recommended to them to keep strictly within the Bounds of their Contract.

By the Delawar they advised they should have one hundred, and by the Prince George they say two hundred Tons of surplus Pepper, it will therefore be necessary to advise the Gentlemen at Bengal of it.

They make a lame Excuse for loading the surplus Pepper on the Onslow, alledging they had not received our Orders, but our General Letter to them ℔ Success Galley and the Companys Directions ℔ Onslow make it plainly appear a palpable Disobedience of Orders.

To account for the decrease of Pepper (instead of the small Pox a specious Pretence which has served many years, and is not now mentioned) They introduce a long train of Reasons, Viz^{t}: The Arbitrary oppressive Tempers of sovereigns, The Laws & Customs of the Country, The Indolence & Ignorance

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of the Planters The Badness of the soil to the Northward of Anak Soongey on the Moco Moco Country which formerly was the most flourishing and is by Neglect run to ruin, to those they add, that a Pepper Plantation does not bear till four or five years and continues ten or Eleven, that it has been the Custom to renew them at Eight years whereas it should have been at five, and from hence at a certain Period will evidently be occasioned a Decrease of Pepper. The Laws, Customs, Dispositions and Vices subsisted equally formerly as now & will as long as there are Malays, and it seems particular that an improper time should have been fixed on for renewing them, and however these Reasons may be Calculated to amuse those at a distance they cannot have that Effect where a true Information can so soon be had, a gross Neglect and Indolence are the true Cause; surveys have been dropped, and a proper Attention has not been had to the Industrious or lazy Behaviour of the Pangarans &c^{a}. The only way to restore the Investment to its former flourishing Condition is to make regular surveys, compare the present with the preceeding year by which the Increase and decrease will easily appear and the proper Reward or Resentment applied. It is said, that there is some fatigue in these surveys, it may be so, it is also as true that all Residents at subordinates have Advantages in Trade and who so proper to take the Trouble as those that receive the Benefit.

The several subordinate settlements are, Moco Moco — Croee — Cattown — Laye — Sillebar — Tallo — Manna — Caoor — Natal and several others not mentioned in their Gen^{l}. Books Particular Enquiry should be made into their situation whether the keeping of them will answer the Purpose, The Expences will be seen under the head of Charges General at the close of their Books.

By the accounts transmitted us from the West Coast, We had hopes that the several new settlements they have made would have been of considerable Advantage to the Company, but this does not appear. What great Benefits were represented to Us from an Establishment at Natal and now after a very considerable Expense by M^{r}. Marriots Report not a single vine is planted nor is it the Disposition of the People to do it. M^{r}. Combes touched there in the Success Galley and delivers in a Letter purporting no more than a Discourse he had with some of the Heads; a more curious and particular Enquiry might have been expected from one of his Experience. By what We can learn the real Intention in the People of Natal's applying to the English to settle there was not with a Design of planting Pepper but to get their Protection against the Dutch, who claim a Title to this District, and the King of Acheen who frequently molests them, by M^{r}. Marriots Account the Imports of Natal amount to Three hundred thousand (300,000) Dollars, it consists chiefly in Ophium, and is a great Prejudice to the Dutch and King of Acheen in this Article.

At this Distance, 'tis impossible to form any clear, and decisive Judgement concerning the several new settlements, There are indeed some Monthly accounts of these entered after their Consultations by which the Produce of Pepper and the Expence are clear, if a Conclusion be made by these, the Expence greatly exceeds the Advantage, it will therefore be necessary to make a more extensive scrutiny into their situation whether they admitt of Improvement and may not in time be brought to such Perfection as fully to repay the heavy charges of nursing them in their Infancy. There seems to have prevailed at the West Coast a strong Propensity to extending the Companys Districts, but not a mature and serious Consideration whether such Extension would fully answer the Purpose. A Prince invites them to make a settlement on a Promise of Planting Pepper, it would certainly be more encouraging if he told them his Country produced such a Quantity of Pepper, and We think such a Proposal should be accepted on no other Terms.

Fourthly of Country Government &c^{a}.

Though We have in our Letters to the West Coast recommended to them to prevail upon Sultan Ooladeen to return to the Coast and to pay him his

monthly Allowances yet they make no Mention of it. By Mr. Combes Letter concerning Natal, it appears he has not been paid and that his Children are pledged to the King of Acheen. As the sultan of Moco Moco has declared his son successor to the Government which has already occasioned some uneasiness in his subjects, should an accident happen to him it might give but too favourable an Opportunity to Ooladeen, if his Views tended to establish himself in that Kingdom, The Consequences of which would be very prejudicial to the Company's Affairs. We therefore conclude it would be prudent to pay him (if not already done according to Order) his Allowances get from the King of Acheen his Children and prevail upon him to return to the Coast, supporting him in a genteel Manner during his stay at Marlbro and passage here, however religious and free from Dissimulation he may seem to be, The Temptation of Power and Government to one who thinks himself unlawfully expelled are certainly very great and the Malays are remarkable for Dissimulation.

As Rewards and Punishments properly administred generally create Love and fear in the Governed, and are as certainly produced by Humanity and strict Justice in Governors, it becomes a very essential Part of the Supravisors Commission to inform themselves whether Justice is duely & impartially administred, That Vices meet with adequate Punishments & Merit and Industry their suitable Rewards, and should they find, by supineness or arbitrary Proceedings any Deviations, to express their disapproval, and rectify. It wont be amiss likewise to enquire whether the leading Men are treated with the Respect due to their different stations.

FIFTHLY OF FORTIFICATIONS, BUILDINGS, REPAIRS AND REVENUES.

Orders have been sent from the Coast that they should not make any Additions to their Fortifications till surveyed by an Engineer, We dont observe they have infringed it.

It appears that accommodations are wanting for the Companys servants.

And if they find it practicable to give proper Repairs to their vessells at Poolo storehouses will be necessary, but these should not be set about lightly or in a hurry, a Plan should be formed suitable, to the Purpose and an Estimate made of the Expence.

Exclusive of the Fortifications at Marlbro̅, There appears to be the following Houses and Godowns $ 57214. 3. 20 — Old Buildings, Chunam Kiln — Smith's shop — Salt Godown — Brick Shedd — Garden house, — Bridge — Wheel Crane — New Buildings — Brick Rice Godown, New Hospital — Boarded Godown, Hungerford Grove — Buildings on the N.W. Curtain — Burying Ground — Brick shedd for Materials — New Pepper Godown — Brick Godown and Lodgings — Freemans House & Compound — Saloop House — Brick Treasury — New Drain — and Cumberlo House $ 13818. -. 80.

The several Buildings at the subordinates came under the same Enquiry, whether they are built with proper Materials purchased at the usual prices and no more charged than made use of, whether they are put to the proper uses and are sufficient for the sundry Wares and stores that settlement has Occasion for.

SIXTHLY OF FACTORS, WRITERS, MILITARY OFFICERS AND THEIR ACCOUNTS.

Captn. Lieutenant Hood is the first who by his unjust confining one of the Military and by his insolent Behaviour to the Board seems highly culpable, he was put under arrest and kept confined to his House a considerable time whereas by the Military Regulations, he should have been immediately brought to a Court Martial consisting of the Deputy Governour and Council with two Military Officers and would with Justice have been suspended as he deserved.

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Mr. John Massey, Paymaster has a heavy Charge exhibited against him, Though he appears culpable, Yet he ought to have been allowed to deliver in his Answer in Writing, and as the Supravisors by being on the spot must have a clearer insight into the Affair, it will be better to leave it to their Determination.

There seems to have been great Neglect and a strong Appearance of Fraud. We cannot help remarking that We are afraid Affairs have been many years in this irregular situation, That Mr. Massey has adopted the Measures of his Predecessors as he had them from his Remains have not been regularly taken and accounts confused by which means great Deficiencies have been overlooked, and bad Customs introduced, which gave too great an Opportunity to fraud, Materials paid for with Goods at exorbitant Prices, which has occasioned their Badness in Quality, all which Practices must be abolished.

John Bruff has been dismissed from the service as he received the Materials for Mr. Massey but was not invested with a Power to reject and could only represent them to his superiour, and at the same time was not acquainted in what Manner they were brought to account, We think he is not culpable and should be restored to his Employ.

Mr. Beach on insulting the Board by coming to Consultation with Pistols in his Pocket on a quarrel that happen'd betwixt him and Captn. Hutchinson was dismissed the Council Board, This behaviour indeed deserved a severe Reprimand tho if he had not been in other Respects culpable, the Disgrace was too severe for the fault, but this Gentleman's Character is represented so low that he was a very unfitt Person to be at the Board.

Mr. Say also has been degraded from a Councellor to a Factor on taking a Malaymans Goods and selling salt.

Lieutt. Hood and Mr. Cranmer were sent home on the Exeter, Mr. Cranmer left his Residency at Laye without Leave and intended to run away to Batavia Lieutenant Hood had got on board the Company's sloop with the same Intent, and twas suspected their Intention was to run away with the vessell.

Though there appears great Misdemeanour in the above Gentlemen, yet the manner of examining into and resenting it deviates greatly from the Company's Orders and Regulations. A Reformation of the present ill Habits, and abuses that have crept into that settlement may require an Exertion of Authority, but Care should be taken that it does not go too great a Length, The Supravisors therefore should enquire into the Conduct of them & judge whether they have deserved the Disgrace they have suffer'd, and it should be enjoined the Deputy Governour and Council that whenever any one of what Degree so ever be accused, he have free Liberty of defending himself by giving his Answer in writing which must be entered in Consultation, if the Fact be proved against him they must Refer the Case to the Coast, if it be requisite suspending him the service till the Decision of their superiours be known, but not to dismiss the service or send them to Europe. In their Consultations they should keep up a decent Decorum and not suffer themselves to be molested with noisy Altercations, whoever presumes at this should be order'd, to withdraw, when any subject is proposed it should be debated calmly, every one suffered to give his opinion without Interruption and when put to the Vote the voices should be collected from the youngest in Council to the Deputy Governour and not from the Deputy Govern^{r}. to the Youngest in Council as it is at present.

The Gentlemen acknowledge there has been a Remissness which indeed appears very plainly by the Resolutions they have already taken; They promise Amendment but it is not carried into Execution with the Regularity that would create Respect to themselves and a thorough Correction in the Culpable.

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SEVENTHLY of ACCOUNTS.

Several Heads stand on their Books which demand an Explanation, how they arose, and why they are not cleared Viz^{t}:

Sloop Louisa's Cargo	$ 123	8	3
See Jibb Chinaman	6855	2	52
Rob^{t}. Dunckley	3803	3	1
Adventure to Natal	3679	2	4

this last seems to be the Expence attending that settlement which has been mentioned under another Head, There is not, nor is there likely to be any Credit, but instead, if not prevented this Head will be swelled to a considerable amount Therefore the Supravisors should make a particular Enquiry and if they find it calculated only for private views drop it, The Gentlemen have greatly deceived us in the Representation of it and should be cautioned not to do the like in future.

Account surplusses	$ 648	5	51
Deficiencies	14610	1	58

The latter greatly exceeds the former and is occasioned by a most scandalous Neglect in not delivering over and receiving an account Remains regularly which must be insisted on & be interchangeably signed in a Book of Remains kept for that Purpose, and it should be a standing Order in future that the Person in Possession shall be responsible; as to the present, a strict Examination should be made into it and if possible recover'd from those who ought to pay it.

The Head of CHARGES GENERAL 30th. 1752 Viz^{t}:

Moco Moco Residency for the foot of Profit & Loss	$ 12405	1	66
Croee Do.	9375	3	12
Cattown Do.	1673	2	12
Laye Do.	2106	–	91
Sillebar Do.	1048	3	44
Tallo Residency Do.	2083	3	50
Manna Do.	2209	2	25
Account Presents Do.	110	–	50
Charges Garrison Do.	12742	–	18
Wages and Allowances Do.	3599	–	83
Charges Diet Do.	7029	2	22
Cattle	574	2	95
Slaves	1328	2	24
Merchandize	1098	–	–
Country Guard	5139	–	–
Marine	2655	3	12
Extraordinary	3714	2	71
Salary	3995	–	27
Cawoor Residency	1244	1	23
Gun Room Crew	1091	1	50
Account Repairs	2248	–	75
Charges General the foot of that Account	8705	1	53
Profit & Loss to clear this head	$ 86179	1	3

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The head of PROFIT & Loss.

The Debit side is	$ 30369	1	83
The Credit, by Revenues & sundry Merchandize	24503	1	21
The Neat Amot. of Expences of Fort Marlbro 1751	$ 65866	–	62
The Produce of Pepper for 1751. ...	$ 9794	–	11

The head of CHARGES GENERAL 30th. April 1730.

Moco Moco Residency	$ 5073	1	28
Sillebar Paggar	138	—	—
Plantation	664	—	96
Charges Garrison	11567	—	9
Charges Diet	4103	2	6
Cattle	279	2	36
Extraordinary	908	3	44
Merchandize	952	—	—
Repairs	538	—	65
Salary	1923	2	14
Presents	102	4	7
Charges General for the foot of that Account	3056	3	18
Profit & Loss to close this head	$ 29308	—	23

The head of PROFIT & Loss.

The Debit side is	$ 30535	1	88
The Credit by Revenues & sundry Merch.	15870	2	10
The Neat Amot. of Expences at Fort Marlbro 1730	$ 14664	3	78
The Produce of Pepper for 1730	$ 5612	2	18

which when deducted from $ 9794. –. 11 the Encrease in the Investment is $ 4181. 1. 93 but what Proposition does this bear to the Expence when deducting $ 14664. 3. 78 from $ 65866. –. 62. there is so large an Encrease as $ 51201. –. 84 tis therefore necessary to make a deeper Enquiry and trace out from whence it proceeds, Marlbrough account in particular whose Expences as well as Investment we will separate from the General Account.

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EXPENCES 1751.

Charges Garrison	$ 12742	—	18
Wages and allowances	3599	—	83
Charges Diet	7029	2	22
Cattle	574	2	95
Slaves	1328	2	24
Merchandize	1098	—	—
Country Guard	5139	—	—
Marine	2658	3	12
Charges Extraordinary	3714	2	71
Account Presents	110	—	50
Account Salary	3995	—	27
Gunroom Crew	1091	1	50
Account Repairs	2248	—	75
Charges General	8705	1	53
	$ 64034	2	80
Pepper received at Marlbro in 1751 ...	$ 107	3	7

EXPENCES IN 1730.

Charges Garrison	$ 11567	—	9
Diet	4103	2	6
Cattle	279	2	36
Extraordinary	908	3	44
Merchandize	952	—	—
Account Repairs	538	—	65
Account Salary	1923	2	14
Account Presents	104	2	7
Charges General	3056	3	18
	$ 23433	3	99
Pepper produced in 1730	973	1	—

This remarkable Decrease deserves to be particularly notified as it is under the Eye of the Capital settlement whose Conduct should set an Example to the rest and when we consider the fruitless and most exorbitant Expence, we dont find any possible Excuse can be made for it, it demands an immediate Regulation. We will still more nicely trace it by comparing each particular head. On the Investment it must be observed that in the year 1730 though the amount of Pepper on the Books that year is $ 5612. 2. 18, yet 709. –. 26 is transferred from the preceeding ones and of the year 1750 $ 509. 3. 7 so that the true Produce for 1730 is $ 4903. 1. 20 and for 1751 $ 9284. 1. 4.

				Increase.
Charges Garrison	1751	$12742 — 18		
	1730	11567 — 9		
				1175 — 9
Wages & Allowances	1751	3599 — 83		
There is no such head in 1730. Therefore the whole is increase				3599 — 83
Charges Diet..	1751	7029 2 22		
	1730	4103 2 6		
				2926 — 16
Charges Cattle	1751	574 3 95		
	1730	279 2 63		
				295 — 59

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Charges slaves	1751	$ 1328	2	24			
There is no such head in 1730 therefore ye. whole is encrease ...					1328	2	24
Charges Merchandize	1751	1098	—	—			
	1730	952	—	—			
					146	—	—
Country Guard	1751	5139	—	—			
There is no such head in 1730 therefore ye. whole is encrease ..					5139	—	—
Charges Marine	1751	2658	3	12			
There is no such head in 1730 therefore the whole is increase ..					2658	3	12
Charges Extraordinary	1751	3714	2	71			
	1730	908	3	44			
					2805	3	27
Account Presents	1751	110	—	50			
	1730	104	2	7			
					5	2	43
Account Sallary	1751	3995	—	27			
	1730	1923	2	14			
					2071	2	13
Gunroom Crew	1751	1091	1	50			
There is no such head in 1730 therefore ye. whole is increase ..					1091	1	50
Account Repairs	1751	2248	—	75			
	1730	538	—	65			
					1710	—	10
Charges General	1751	8705	1	53			
	1730	3056	3	18			
					5648	2	35
General Increase in Charges					$ 30600	2	81

As We have no Paymasters Accounts for 1730, 'tis impossible to see the particulars of the several Heads, but in one for 1729 We find that Charges Garrison includes Military, Gunroom Crew, Bugguesses *, Arabs and Wages & all Allowances, so that

Charges Garrison	$ 1175	—	9
Wages & allowances	3599	—	83
Country Guard	5139	—	—
Gunroom Crew	1091	1	50
	$ 11004	2	42

this head is double what it used to be.

The Supravisors after informing themselves how these are disposed of should curtail the Expence in Wages and allowances, We observe that given to Artificers is treble what it was formerly. Charges Diet encreased $ 2926. –. 18 and account sallary $ 2071. 2. 13 is easily acccounted for by a greater Number of Covenanted servants, whether necessary and how employed the supravisors will enquire, it wont be amiss to send them a General List of our servants as a Model, and order, them to transmitt us by every ship such a List of theirs by which we can always judge whether they are properly distributed.

CHARGES SLAVES.

	Men.	Wom.	Bs.	Girls.	Charges.			Credit for service.		
in 1730 were	79	67	13	13	$ 2496	—	66	$ 2814	2	—
in 1751	126	151	51	48	7758	3	4	6430	—	80

In 1730 their service exceeded their Charges $ 316. 1. 34 whereas in 1751 $ 1328. 2. 24. was wrote off by Profit & Loss, though they had actually credited them more for Labour in Proportion to their Numbers by $ 654. and by the same Proportion the Charges of them exceed what was the Custom in 1730 by $ 2625 which must be regulated.

* *Bugis*, a term applied to native soldiers in European service in Eastern Archipelago—Hobson-Jobson, page 124.

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Charges Cattle is in all settlements a fixed Expence, 5 Guard, and 2 Chaise Horses are usually allowed and We think 252 Dollars ℔ annum in lieu of all Charge of Groom, Slaves, Grain &c^{a}. very sufficient and this to be paid to the Deputy Governour at $ 21 ℔ Month in case the Number of Horses be kept up.

The Difference in Charges Merchandize and Account Presents are not very considerable.

Charges Marine as remarked under the head of shipping ought to have its due Credit by the sloops or such other services where those People are employed.

The heads of Repairs, Charges extraordinary and Charges General are increased very considerably as we are not furnished with the Paymasters Account for 1730 'tis impossible to make a just Comparison, They depend on variable Circumstances and become the more direct Enquiry of the supravisors who can have Recourse to the Men and Books they can concern, These very particularly demand their strict Attention as the head of Charges General only amounts to near two thirds of what the whole Coast was in 1730.

The Outsettlements are equally in want of Proper Regulation.

Moco Moco Expences in 1751 are		$ 12405 1 66		
1750		5073 1 78		
			Increase.	
			7331 3 88	
		℔		
Pepper received from thence ..	1730	2312 — 21	$ 6356 3 47	
Do. ..	1751	2096 — 22	6025 — 7	
		215 3 27	331 3 40	

There evidently appears a Decrease in the Investment a monstrous instance of neglect, and at the same time the Expences of that Residency are above doubled, very little Regard seems to have been had to our Honble Masters affairs as this Place twenty years ago produced near a third of the whole, it becomes a very material Part of the Supravisors Enquiry.

Sallebar Expences	1751	$ 1048 3 44		
	1730	138 — —		
			Increase.	
			910 3 44	
Pepper Received	1730	1164 — —	Decrease.	
	1751	451 3 —		
			712 1 —	

Here appears a still more intolerable decrease in the Investment and Increase in the Expences.

RESIDENCY OF LAYE.

The amount of its Charges ..	1751			$ 2006 — 91
		℔	qr.	lb.
The Produce of Pepper	1751	1172	1	13	3014 2 —

RESIDENCY OF CATTOWN.

The amount of Charges	1751			$ 1673 2 12
		℔	qr.	lb.
The Produce of Pepper	1751	903	2	11	2441 1 48

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RESIDENCY OF TALLO.

The amount of Charges	1751			$ 2083 3 80
		℔	qr.	lb.
The Produce of Pepper	1751	1112	2	13	2231 1 93

RESIDENCY OF MANNA.

The Amount of Charges	1751			$ 2209 2 25
The Produce of Pepper	1751	2465	—	—	6724 3 75

RESIDENCY OF CROEE.

The Amount of Charges	1751				$ 9375 3 12
The Produce of Pepper	1751	1015	1	3	2381 – 52
Under the head of Croee Consignmt. is.		121	—	—	269 2 50

RESIDENCY OF CAWOOR.

The Amount of Charges	1751	$ 1241 1 23
No Produce of Pepper.		

By the foregoing state of Laye, Cattown, Tallo, Manna, and Croee Residency's, Their Expences seem to bear a near Proportion to their Produce, Manna indeed being the most flourishing, It has been strongly insinuated to us that Croee and Cawoor will most gratefully reward the Hand that cultivates them, at present, in the former there appears a small Investment and a very exorbitant Expence the latter, Expence only, Therefore these two settlements bespeak the supravisors close Inspection. It is very particular that in the new settlement of Croee where one would imagine the Buildings were but just erected, there immediately appears a Head of Repairs $ 1028. 3. 74 and in examining that, the workmanship is generally two thirds more than the Materials particularly in the Month of September where Repairs is debted to Cash $ 217, without specifying what it is for, This should be explained.

The Servants at this Residency are

A Resident	1	
Factors	2	
Surgeon	1	
	—	4
Ensign	1	
Serjeants	2	
Corporals	2	
Centinels Europ [*sic*]	23	
Topasses	6	
Lascars	2	
	—	36
Bugguess Ensign	1	
Dº. Corporals	8	
Bugguesses	31	
Juntoolis	1	
	—	41
A Reader	1	
Juntoolis	1	
Pepper Surveyors	2	
Sampan keepers *	6	
	—	91 Persons which

clearly accounts for the heavy Charge, It therefore remains to enquire on what

* *Sampan*. a kind of small boat—Hobson-Jobson, page 789.

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foundation the Gentlemen have thought fit to launch out thus, surely it must be a Country capable of producing a large Investment, nothing else could be a justifiable Inducement.

Thus We have laid before Your Honour &c^{a}. those Remarks which the Books and Papers We have had Recourse to could furnish us with, They may serve as an Introduction to the Gentlemen Supravisors who have an ample Field to merit the Esteem of our Honourable Masters by the prudent Measures they may take in restoring to a flourishing Condition a settlement which by a stupid supineness and Knavery is greatly on the Decline. We are

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient hble Servants
THOMAS SAUNDERS.
CHARLES BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.

FORT S^{T}: GEORGE
THE 8TH. OCTOBER 1753.

TO THE HONBLE THO^{S}. SAUNDERS ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT & GOV^{R}. &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Being desirous of proceeding for Europe I shall be obliged to your Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. for an Order to Captn. Winter of the Delawar to receive me & my Necessaries on board. I am

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
With Respect
Your most Obed^{t}. hble Serv^{t}.
JOHN CLARKE.

FORT S^{T}: GEORGE
OCT^{R}. 8TH. 1753.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

In Conformity to your Orders We have regulated the Weights in the several Employs agreeable to the standard setts received from England. The half hundred Weights at the Sea Gate, Choultry, Warehouse and two storehouses proved about two Ounces and a half too heavy and the smaller Weights in Proportion. At the Mint We found five weights that were too heavy and some old ones that were deficient which the Assay Master assured us had been thrown aside for defective, A particular account of them is subjoined such as pass'd Examination We chopped with the figures 1753 to prevent the use of any others. We are with great Respect

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient and most humble Serv^{t}.

FORT S^{T}: GEORGE
8TH. OCTOB^{R}. 1753.

OVER WEIGHT.

1 W^{t}. of 5 lib.	2 dw^{ts}.	
4	30 ea	3 or 4 dw^{ts}. ea.

UNDER WEIGHT.

2 W^{ts}. of 1 lb. ea	ab^{t}.	2½ dw^{ts}. ea.
1	2	¼
1	4	4
2	10	27 ea.
3	16 Oz.	2½ ea
1	8	1¼

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To the Honble Thos. Saunders Esqr.
President & Governour &ca. Council of
Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

By the Godolphin anno 1752 We received a Chest of Coral marked ☆ N. 12 on which We paid Consulage and Customs here as pr. Certificates accompanying. In febry. last We had Occasion to send part of this chest down to Bengal and at the same time advised our Correspondent there, Mr. Holland Goddard that the Consulage and Customs had been cleared at this Port, nevertheless We find that those Duties were again demanded and paid at Bengal. As we esteem this double Charge on Coral a great Hardship on the Proprietors since no other Exports from hence are liable to it, We hope your Honour &ca. will take their Case into Consideration and procure them such Releif, as you may judge necessary.

We are with great Respect
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient & most humble servant,

Fort St: George
5th. October 1753. Walsh & Vansittart.

To the Honble Thos. Saunders Esqr.
President and Govr. &ca. Council of Fort St: George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your Secretary having demanded of me pursuant to your Orders, as one of the Executors in India to the Estate of Mr. John Stratton deceased Pags. 2592. –. 78. being the Ballance due from him to the Company by the Vizagapatam Books, I beg Leave to acquaint your Honour &ca. that as I am ignorant whether the Company may have or have not demanded and received the above Amount of his Executors in England must intreat the favour that you'll be pleased not to insist on the Payment of it till I have Information from them relating thereto. I am with the utmost Respect

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedt. hble Servt.
George Stratton.

Fort St: George
8th. Octobr. 1753.

Hond: Sir & Sirs

As I have been a long while out and the ships Expence very great, Request your Honours that I may be supplied with two thousand Pagodas agreeable to Charty Party to defray the ships Expence and Defficiency of Goods on Account of the Honble Company which you informed me is wanting, and that I must make good here as also the Dragon sloops Charges in Carrying Captn. Dominicus round to Point de Galle I hope your Honours will take it into Consideration and supply me with the said sum that I may clear the ships account and make the best of my way on board as the Time of the Monsoons draw near.

I am
Hond: Sir & Sirs
Your most humble Servt.
Thomas Winter.

Fort St: George
Octobr. 3 1753.

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To the Honble Thos. Saunders Esqr.
President Govr. &ca. Council.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Having met with some bad Weather and being under Apprehensions of Part of the Cargo being damaged thereby thought proper in Order to indemnifie myself therein by informing you of the Accident by this Protest and am

Sirs
Your most Obedt. humble servant
Herbert Sutherland.

Don Carlos Snow

Octobr. the 6th. 1753.

8 Sent by Tappies General Letter to Fort St. David agreeable to Resolution in Consultation this Day.

9 Arrived the Honble Company's sloop Dragon, Vallabou Syrang, from Fort St. David.

10 Arrived Brigantine Fanny, Hannoumunton, from Bandarmalanka.

— Arrived Sloop Alice, William Sutherland, from Acheen last from Vizagapatam with a general Letter from the Chief and Council there dated 1st. Instant & Bales.

— Received by Tappies General Letter from Fort St. David dated the 6th. Instant.

11 Arrived ship Speedwell, John Coatsworth, from Bengal with two General Letters from the Gentlemen there dated 13th. & 17th. September and a Packet for our Honble Masters.

On the Return of the Honble Companys sloop Dragon from Fort St. David the 9th. Instant, The President and Council judging it proper that Messrs. Hopkins & Norris should proceed to take Charge of the several Employs assigned them Vizt. Mr. Hopkins as Chief of DeveCotah & Mr. Norris as third in Council &ca. at Fort St. David, That Vessel was ordered to be prepared and accordingly sailed this Day with the above Gentlemen, The following Letters having been signed and sent by them Vizt: To the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort St. David acquainting them of Mr. Norris's coming to their Assistance that the sloop must proceed to DeveCotah with Mr. Hopkins and on her Return call at St. David for their Bales. That We have found some Inconveniencies from delivering the Pay of the seapoys into the hands of the Subadar, each Man must therefore receive his own Pay and none but effective Men must be suffered on the Rolls. To Mr. Charles Hopkins directing him to proceed to DeveCotah and on his taking Charge of it, an exact account Remains must be drawn out and sign'd by him & Mr. Dawson. That he must send us up regularly such Monthly Papers as are usual from other Settlements. That the General Books ballanced to Ulto. April last, must be sent us up directly. That each seapoy must receive his own Pay, That he must treat the King of Tanjores subjects courteously. That if any Piles are ready they must be sent us up on the Dragon. That we are informed Customs have been demanded at DeveCotah on goods that had already paid it here, which must not be. To Mr. George Dawson directing him to deliver over the Charge of DeveCotah to Mr. Hopkins with a Regular Account of stores & then proceed hither by the first Opportunity.

14 Received by Pattamar General Letter from Bombay dated 26th. August.

15 Received by Tappies General Letter from Fort St. David dated 11th. Instant.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVR. PRESIDT. — MONDAY THE 15TH.
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXR: WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.
CHAS: BOURCHIER.

The Book of standing Orders lying on the Table.

Minutes of last Consultation read and sign'd.
General Letters read Vizt.

N. 171 From George Pigot Esqr. Chief &ca. Council of Vizagapatam dated the 1st. Instant advising that they have consigned to us on the Alice sloop sixty five Bales of Callico's which is the most they could procure and have no great Prospect of making any considerable Investment against January tho' the Difference between the Nabob & Ramah [Rajah] is at an End the latter having purchased a Peace at the Price of five Lack and half of Rupees towards Payment whereof he has requested of them a supply of ten thousand Pagodas which they excused themselves from advancing. That they also send us a Corge of Chints Morees which cost fifty five Pagodas and think they shall be able to furnish twenty Corge a year Enclosing a List of their Ordnance & warlike stores &ca. — Genl. Letter from Vizagm. read.

N. 172. and N. 176 from the Deputy Governour & Council of Fort St. David. The first dated the 6th. Instt. acknowledging the Receipt of 25000 Pagodas, We sent them ℔ Dragon sloop, which Vessell they return to us empty, having sent us all their Bales ℔ Brill except what are at the Washers which cannot be got ready for the Delawar, The other dated the 11th. Instant containing an account of their Proceedings in Relation to their Investment Vizt: That finding the Merchants (except Irshippa Chittee) gave them but little Hopes of their Performances and Linga Chittee's agents at the same time offering Proposals to bring in three hundred Bales by January provided they are duely & speedily supplied with Money They accepted the same and advanced them five thousand (5000) Pagodas to begin. That they think our Order not to advance above 5000 Pagodas at a time is very confined considering the lateness of the season, that they have advanced a further sum of 5000 Pags. to Irshippa Chittee he having brought in a great Part of the ten thousand before advanced him. In general they seem to excuse themselves on the Backwardness of their Investment by saying they have not been kept sufficiently supplied with Money and desire that of what We may in future send them We will limit how much We would have appropriated to the Investment. That on the 8th. Instant a ship directly from Portugal called the Royal Galley bound for Bengal and Surat imported there. The supra Cargo desired to know whether he could coin the Treasure there and finding it could not be done proceeded to Pondichery—Enclosing a Letter from Capt. Schaub to their Secretary enclosg. a Return of his Detachment. — Genl. Letters from Fort St. David read.

N. 173 and N. 174 from the President & Council of Bengal the first dated the 13th. Septr. advising the arrival of the Winchelsea Falmouth & Egmont with our several Letters and the Treasure which turned out right as did the Redwood ℔ Shirley. That the Orders for their Investment amount to above double the Treasure we have sent them, they therefore desire if we can possibly spare them any more, we will do so, as otherwise they must be obliged to take up large sums at Interest. That the Gentlemen at Bombay advise them they have made us a Remittance of about 100,000 A. Rupees which they desire us to forward. That they observe by our Letters we intend sending them the Dragon and Colchester or Delawar which will so much increase their Tonnage, that unless We can be assisting in letting them to Freight, they shall be at a Loss how to provide for them. That they send us a Box Packet for our Honble — Genl. Letters from Bengal read.

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Masters being Duplicate of the former, they desire may go on a different Conveyance. The other dated the 17th. Septr. advising the Arrival of the Elizabeth, and that they have consigned to us on the Speedwell, fifteen Bals of Jugdea Baftaes for Chinting. Enclosing a Letter for our Honble Masters to be forwarded by the first Conveyance.

Genl. Letter from Bombay read.

N. 175 from the President & Council of Bombay dated the 26th. August, advising the Receipt of our Packet of the 18th. June also that the ships Tavistock Sandwich, Stafford and Salisbury from Europe were arrived there. Enclosing Copy of the 10th. Paragraph of Our Honble Masters Commands to them, requiring us to assist them as far as we can in the disposal of their Tonnage, and desiring We will acquaint them whether the Swallow will be a proper vessell for our service.

Genl. Letter from Mr. John Pybus read.

N. 177 From Mr. John Pybus at Fort St. David dated the 11th. Instant acquainting us that as we had done him the Honour to appoint him joint supravisor to the West Coast with Mr. Walsh, he accepted it with the greatest Chearfulness and to prevent any Delays by the Prince George's calling for him at Fort St. David he proposed to embark that Evening in a Boat for this Place, That Mr. Drake has undertaken to execute his Employs untill Mr. Norris's Arrival.

Bengal to be wrote to.

AGREED that a General Letter be prepared to the President and Council of Bengal acquainting them (besides what agreed on at last Consultation) in Relation to the Offer they make us of fighting [*sic*] two or more of the Compy's ships, that they must be sensible of the Difficulty of letting ships of that Burthen, as well as that it requires time to provide proper Cargo's which it is impossible to do, now the season is so far advanced, but had we had earlier Notice possibly some thing might have been done. That we shall be very willing to stand a part with them in taking up any next Year and desire their sentiments thereon. In regard to what they mention about our detaining a Part of the Treasure, That our great Expences occasioned by the Troubles has been the Cause of it, and even what we have kept being about 33 Chests will scarcely suffice, and We had leave from our Honble Masters to do so. That the Gentlemen at Marlbrõ having advised us they shall have thirty Tons of surplus Pepper, We desire they will order a ship to take it in and touch here for our Advices. That We have had no Advices from the Negrais and desire they will send their Artificers directly as we know not when We shall have a Conveyance. That as soon as we can spare their Military we will send them down that the Bombay ships are arrived there from Europe.

Bombay to be wrote to.

AGREED also that a General Letter be prepared to the President and Council of Bombay advising the Receipt of theirs, That it will be impossible for us to give them any Assistance, in providing for their Tonnage, On the Contrary several ships on this side must lye on hand. That We have already given them our sentiments in Regard to the Swallow. That the China ships except the Harcourt were spoke with in the Streights of Malacca.

West Coast Dispatches signed

The following Papers and Dispatches are now sign'd Vizt. :

Commission appointing John Walsh and John Pybus Esqrs. Supravizors of Affairs at the West Coast.

General Letter (to serve as Instructions) to John Walsh and John Pybus Esqrs. Supravisors of the West Coast.

General Letter to the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort Marlbrõ.

General Letter to the Governor & Council of Batavia Commission appointing Edward Pero Esqr. Captain Lieut. of the Train of Artillery at Fort Marlbrõ.

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Letter from Mr. William Perceval (Executor to the Estate of Mr. Thos. Eyre deceas'd) read as enter'd hereafter requesting Payment of a Ballance of three thousand five hundred and sixty two Pagodas fifteen fanams and seventy Eight Cash (3562. 15. 78) said to be due to the said Mr. Thos. Eyre deceased on his Paymaster's Account before the Loss of this settlement. Mr Perceval desires Payment of a Balla due to Mr. Eyre.

ORDER'D that the Secretary acquaint Mr. Perceval We cannot comply with his Request but shall give our Honble Masters all the Information We can come at in Relation thereto by the January ship. refer'd home.

Letter from Mr. John Brohier read as enter'd hereafter, together with an Estimate of the Charge of repairing the Prisons for Debtors adjoining to the old Town hall amounting to two hundred and Nine Pagodas, twenty one fanams and Eight Cash ORDER'D that the said Prisons be repaired accordingly. Estimate of repairing Prisons.

Letter from Captain Rodolph de Gingins read as enter'd hereafter requesting Leave to proceed to Europe on the Delawar and Captn. Gingins &

Letter from Mrs. Rebecca Casamajor read as entered hereafter requesting Permission for herself and son to take Passage to England on the Delawar. Mrs. Casamajor & Son. &

Mr. Charles Bourchier desiring Leave to send home a son of Mr. Foss Westcott's on the Delawar. Mr. Foss Westcotts son desire Passage on the Delawar.

ORDER'D that the Secretary deliver Captn. Winter Permitts to receive them and their Necessaries on board. Granted.

The Secretary desiring the Direction of the Board whether the said Permission Money is to be demanded of Children going home, They are of Opinion it should not, AGREED however that a Paragraph be inserted in the next General Letter to our Honble Masters in Relation thereto. Permission Money not to be demanded for children.

The Paymaster at Fort St. David having remitted to Captain Schaub at Pondicherry ever since he has been detained there with his Detachment the Pay for the whole without any Muster Roll, the Board are of Opinion he has been guilty of great Neglect as tis evident from the Return enclosed in the Genl. Letter from Fort St. David read this Day in Consultation that there are actually but 49 Men, and as it is probable from hence that on a scrutiny many other Omissions and Errors may be discovered, it is AGREED that after the Dispatch of the Delawar a Committee be appointed to examine the Fort St. David Paymasters accounts, and that no Payments be admitted in future either at this, that, or any other settlemt. without proper Vouchers for the same. Fort St. David Paymasters accounts to be examined.

The Storekeeper delivers in an account sale of the Remains of the Dragons Madagascar Cargo amounting to two hundred and seventy Eight Pagodas fifteen fanams and twenty Cash (278. 15. 20) which is entered hereafter. Accot. sale of the Dragons Madagascar Cargo.

The Storekeeper also delivers in an account Deficiency in the Delawars Madagascar Cargo, and an account Deficiency in the Delawars Batavia Cargo of Plank &ca. The Amount whereof he has received of the Commander, The first being Pags. 308. 30. 52 and the other Pagodas 9. 34. 64. ORDER'D that the said accounts be entered hereafter. Accott. Deficiency's in the Delawars Madagascar & Batavia Cargo.

The Export Warehousekeeper reports to the Board that agreeable to Order of Consultation he had carefully examined the Bales received from Ingeram by the Snow Don Carlos, that they were all in good Order and had not received any Damage. Bales from Ingeram not damaged.

ORDER'D that the Duplicate Packet received from Bengal by the Speedwell for our Honble Masters be forwarded by the ship to be dispatched from hence in Janry. Bengal Dup. Packet to be sent to England in January.

The Import Warehouse, storehouse and Military storehouse Indents for the Year 1755 are now read and approved and order'd to be transcribed for signing. Indents to Europe approved.

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Four setts of Bills signed.

Four setts of Bills of Exchange of this Date are now signed drawn on the Honble Court of Directors at Ninety days sight and seven shillings & Eight Pence ℔ Pagoda Vizt:

Setts.		£	s.	d.	Pags.	Fa.	Ca.
1	To Mrs. Eleanor Powney or order value of Mr. Henry Powney.	1000	—	—	2608	25	3
1	To Henry & Ann Churchill or order value of Mr. Henry Powney.	478	14	8	1238	16	—
1	To Mr. Francis Magnus or order value of of Mr. Henry Vansittart on accott. of Mr. Jon. Pybus.	200	—	—	521	26	48
1	To Mrs. Mary Wilson or order value of Messrs. Alexr. Wynch & Chas. Bourchier on accott. of Mr. Foss West Cott.	100	—	—	260	31	24
	4 setts amounting to	£ 1778	14	8	4629	26	75

one sett of certificate.

One sett of Certificates of this date is now signed for one thousand one hundred and twenty seven Pagodas, thirty two fanams and Eight Cash (1127. 32. 8) received into the Honble Companys Cash of Mr. John Brohier upon Oath that the same is on account the Estate of Lieutt. John Wood deceased.

The Engineer to make an Estimate of the Charge of buildg. St. Thome. Redoubt.

The Expences of building St. Thomé Redoubt having been judged very large and extravagant and our Honble Masters having thereupon signified that they expect to hear an Enquiry has been made into it and the frauds if any detected, in order therefore that a better Judgement may be form'd of the true Expences of such a Work, Order'd that Mr. John Brohier do make an Estimate thereof and deliver in the same to the Board at their next sitting.

Gruapah farmer of Egmore pays in Money, as does

Gruapah Farmer of Egmore &ca. Villages pays in Pagodas fourteen hundred & fifty (1450) for one years Rent due the 1st. Ultimo.

The Secretary.

The Secretary pays into Cash the sum of ninety (90) Pagodas received of Mrs. Casamajor, Captns. Clarke and De Gingins for Permission of Passage to England to the Delawar.

Sea Customer.

The Sea Customer pays into Cash the sum of fifteen hundred (1500) Pagodas on his running accott. as does

Import Wareho. kr

The Import Warehousekeeper Thirty thousand (30,000) Pagodas, & Eighteen hundred & Ninety one Pagodas, thirty two fanams & Eight Cash (1891. 32. 8) on account of Rupees sold.

Cash advanced the Commissary.

Agreed that Eight thousand four hundred and ninety one Pagodas, thirty two fanams & Eight Cash (8491. 32. 8) be advanced the Commissary to defray the Expences of the Troops abroad.

Thos: Saunders.
Chas: Boddam.
Henry Powney
Ar: Wynch.
John Smith.
Chs: Bourchier.

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ACCOUNT Deficiencies of Madagascar Stores and the short Delivery ℔ ship Delawar Captain Thomas Winter.

To Lead shot	8 lb.	— 6	25
To Bar Lead	12	— 10	50
To Flints	2372	2 28	—
To fine Musquet	1	13 25	5
To Musquets	5	8 34	40
To Bullet Moulds	6	15 31	40
To Negroes Collars	1	— 6	30
To Handcuffs	71	1 17	—
To Basons	39	3 4	10
To Dishes	5	— 31	70
To spoons	51	— 32	10
To Quart Tankards	6	1 31	40
To Pint Do.	3	— 22	40
To Plates	24	4 4	55
To Quart Porringers	4	— 24	—
To Pint Do.	5	— 19	20
To Common Looking Glasses	25	4 25	—
To Empty Puncheons	3	6 15	—
To Deals	118	28 11	—
To Euffirs	12	4 1	40
To Beads	399 lib.	45 25	70
To Brown sugar	4 ℔w	13 18	—
To Sugar Candy	2 ℔wt.	14 26	—
To Bread	7 ℔wt.	63 —	—
To Cocoanut oil	3 Gallons.	1 1	—
		237 20	65
Advance 30 ℔ Cent		71 9	67
	Pagodas	308 30	52

ALEXR. WYNCH
Stkr.

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ACCOUNT Deficiency in the Cargo from Batavia ℔ ship Delawar Captain Thomas Winter Vizt.

To Teak Timbers	2 Pags.	7. 24.	–
Advance 30 ℔ cent		2. 10.	64
	Pags.	9. 34.	64

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ALEXR. WYNCH
Stkr.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST: GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

THE Honble Company being indebted to Mr. Thos. Eyre Paymaster at the time this Place was taken by the French (since deceased) the sum of three thousand five hundred and sixty two Pagodas fifteen fanams and seventy Eight Cash (Pags. 3562. 15. 78) being the Ballance of his account Current of the 31st. October 1746 as will and does appear by the accounts delivered in to you, as

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Executor to the Estate of the said Mr. Thos. Eyre deceased, I must request the favour of you to pay the same to me with the Interest that may be due thereon. I am

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedt. humble Servt.
WILLM. PERCEVAL.

FORT ST: GEORGE
12TH. OCTOBER 1753.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &CA. COUNCIL.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

As I intend to take Passage for myself and son on board the Delawar for Europe, I beg the Favour of a Permit to Captn. Winter to receive us and our Necessaries on board.

I am with due Respect
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedt. humble servt.
REBECCA CASAMAJOR.

FORT ST: GEORGE
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TO THE HONBLE THOS. SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVR. OF FORT ST. GEORGE &CA. COUNCIL.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

As I intend to take my Passage for Europe on board the Delawar Captn. Winter, Beg the favour you would be pleas'd to grant me an Order to be received on board with my necessaries.

I am with Respect
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedt. humble servt.
R. D. GINGINS.

FORT ST: GEORGE
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ACCOUNT SALE of Sundry stores at Publick Outcry being the Remains of the Dragons. Madagascar Cargoe Vizt.:

	PEWTER.						
1	Dozen 3 lb. Basons.	..	Vincattaramah	..	2	4	40
1	do. do.	..	Do.	..	2	4	40
1	do. do.	..	Do.	..	2	4	40
1	do. do.	..	Andava Chitty	..	2	9	—
2½	do. do.		Samy	..	5	13	40
2	do. 2 lb. do.	..	Condy Chitty	..	2	13	40
2	do. & 11 do.	..	Donald Gregory	..	4	4	40
4	do. 1 lb. do.	..	do.	..	3	31	40
4	do. do.	..	Conery	..	3	18	—
1	do. & 7 do.	..	Pallemooto	..	1	13	40
2	do. Quart Tankards	..	Samy	..	2	18	—
2	do. do.	..	Andava Chitty	..	2	22	40
1	do. & 8 do.	..	Vincattaramah	..	2	9	—
2	do. Pint Tankards	..	Narrain Chitty	..	1	22	40
1	do. & 6 do.	..	Papa	..	1	9	—
2	do. Barbers Pott	..	Vincataramah	..	1	27	—
2	do. do.	..	Do.	..	2	—	—
2	do. & 10 do.	..	Do.	..	3	18	—
5	Quart Porringers	..	Donald Gregory	..	—	25	—
							47 16 —
				Carried over ..			47 16 —

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ACCOUNT SALE of Sundry stores at Public outcry, etc.—*cont.*

	DRINKING GLASSES.				Brought Over ..		47 16 —
18	Wine Glasses ..	Papa ..	—	16 —			
15	Fine flint Do. ..	Vencatachellum ..	—	25 —			
20	Half-Pint Tumblers ..	Deshamany ..	—	20 —			
10	Pint Cans ..	Pallemooto ..	2	— —			
9	Haft Do. ..	Joakim Rodrigues.	—	10 —			
						3 35 —	
	LOOKING GLASSES.						
1	Dozen Small Looking Glasses.	Vencattaramah ..	2	35 —			
1	Do. Do.	Do. ..	2	35 —			
1	Do. Do.	Do. ..	2	35 —			
7	Do. Do.	Do. ..	1	27 —			
						10 24 —	
	BEADS.						
℔1	Wt. Beads ...	Candapah ..	9	22 40			
1	Do. ...	Vincatachellum ..	9	18 —			
1	Do. ...	Do. ..	9	18 —			
52	lb. Do. ...	Pallemooto ..	4	— —			
						32 22 40	
8½	lb. Spices ..	Moocando ..		—		4 22 40	
2300	Needles & 4 lb. Thread ..	Narrain Chitty ..		..		2 27 —	
9	Gross & 7 doz. Pipes @ fs. 16 ℔ Gross.	Condapah ...		..		4 9 50	
2	Casks Sugar ..	Papa ..		..		15 22 40	
1	Cask Tobacco ..	Vincattarama ..		..		6 9 —	
	CUTLERY.						
N 1	6 Doz. & 10 large Scissars @ fs. 13 ℔ Dozen.	Condapah ...	2	10 50			
2	10 do. do. @ 15 ℔ do.	Samy ...	4	6 —			
3	10 do. do. @ 19 ℔ do.	Ball Gruah ...	5	10 —			
4	3 do. Razors ..	Andeapah ..	1	8 —			
5	10 do. do. ..	Papa Chitty ..	4	4 40			
6	10 do. good Rasors ..	Vellah ..	6	4 40			
7	4 do. & 6 Butchers Knives.	Andeapah ..	1	22 40			
8	6 do. do.	Do. ..	2	2 —			
9	2 do. Lascars knifes ..	Do. ..	6	10 —			
10	20 do. do. ..	Samy ..	8	— —			
11	18½ do. Large knifes ..	Condapah ..	5	27 —			
12	18 do. do. ..	Sadrass Vincattayen.	6	4 40			
13	4 do. Spring knifes ...	Andeapah ...	1	22 40			
14	10 do. do. ..	Do. ..	4	— —			
15	3 do. & 10 Combs.	Vellah ...	1	3 —			
16	12 do. Women Scissars ..	Narrain Chitty ..	5	9 —			
						65 — 10	
	2 Cases Cordials ..	Isaac Myers ..	2	4 40			
	2 do. ..	Mr. Oliphant ..	2	9 —			
	2 do. ..	Mr. Munro ..	2	4 40			
	2 do. ..	Do. ..	2	9 —			
	2 do. ..	Francis Savier ..	2	9 —			
	2 do. ..	Mr. Munro ..	2	27 —			
						13 27 —	
					Carried Over ..	206 35 20	

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ACCOUNT SALE of Sundry stores at Public outcry, etc.—*cont.*

					Brought Over ..			206	35	20
N. 1	1 Hogshed Brandy Galls. @ [ ] ℔ Gall.	qt. 45	Mr. Munro	..	23	27	—			
2	1 Do. @ 15 do.	58	Vellah	..	24	6	—			
3	1 Do. @ 17 do.	48	Vincattaramah	..	23	19	—			
								71	16	—
				Pagodas ..				278	15	20

ERRORS EXCEPTED.
℔ ALEXR: WYNCH.
Stkr.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST: GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Herewith I take the Liberty to lay before you for your Approbation the Estimate for repairing the Mayors Court Prisons Pursuant to your Orders for it, and am most respectfully

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most humble and most
Obedient Servant

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JOHN BROHIER.

ESTIMATE for Repairing the Mayors Court Prisons at Fort St. George the 15th October 1753.

CARPENTERS & SMITH'S WORK.

	Pag.	fa.	ca.	Pag.	fa.	ca.
The Flooring of the Upper Rooms which cover them and part of their Terrass to be taken up, The Joists appearing Good, will require only boarding, Nails & Workmanship.	30	—	—			
The Tarrass being decayed of 5 small Apartments on the south side will require to be made new, The Joists being only Palmeiro's the Expense estimated.	40	—	—			
5 Door Cases & 5 Window Frames to be made new or repaired with the Doors & Window shutters.	20	—	—			
A New seat to the vault	1	30	—			
A New Door to the Debtors Prison		—	—			
				98	30	—

BRICKLAYERS WORK.

There being required a new Tarrass 1086 Foot superficial.

Wall Bricks	8000	5	12	—	
Tarras Do.	25000	11	13	40	
Chunam Parah's	500	38	17	—	
Jaggree	200	3	21	48	
Potts & Pans, Brushes &ca.	..	3	—	—	
Oxen hire on Bricks		4	13	28	
Bricklayers	550	16	35	—	
Cooley's	640	20	—	—	
Baskets	..	3	—	—	
Sand .. .. ..Parahs.	500	4	22	22	
				110	27	8
Pagodas ..				209	21	8

JOHN BROHIER.

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Sailed sloop Charming Fanny, Robert Holford, for the Malabar Coast. 18

Do. Snow Ann, Hugh Morgan for Goa. —

Do. Ketch Betsy, John Griffin for Bengal with a General Letter to the President and Council there dated the 17th. Instant. —

Received by Peons General Letter from Ingeram dated 28th. Septr. —

Received by Tappies General Letter from Fort St. David dated 16th. Instt. 19

Sailed ship Speedwell, John Coatsworth, for the Malabar Coast with Genl. Letter (℔ Captn. Matchan Passenger) to Bombay dated 18th. Instant. 20

Received by Tappies Genl. Letter from Fort St. David dated 18th. Instant. 21

Arrived the Honble Company's sloop Porto Bello, William Grierson from the Negrais, last from Vizagapatam, with Advices from Mr. Hunter and General Letter from Mr. Westgarth at Syrian dated 15th. June and 2d. August, and from Vizagapatam dated 15th. Instant. —

Received by Tappies General Letter from St. David dated the 19th. Instant. 22

At a Consultation

Present

Thomas Saunders Esqr: Govr: Presidt: Monday
Charles Boddam. Henry Powney. the
Alexander Wynch. John Smith. 22d.
Charles Bourchier.

The Book of standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of last Consultation Read & sign'd.

General Letters read Vizt.

N. 178. from Mr. Foss Westcott Resident at Ingeram dated 28th. Ultimo serving only to accompany Duplicate of his Last. Genl. Letter from Ingeram.

N. 179 N. 180. and N. 184 from the Deputy Governour & Council of Fort St. David, the first dated the 16th. Instant, acquainting us that Mr. Hugh Norris was arrived there & had taken his seat at the Board as third in Council and entered on the Employs of Civil & Military Paymaster, That the Dragon sloop proceeded on to DeveCotah with Mr. Hopkins and when she returns they propose to detain her in order to send sundry stores, Major Lawrence has indented for, to DeveCotah which they hope We will approve, as they cannot comply with our Directions for returning her to us with Bales as what they have are at the Wash and cannot be got ready for the Delawar. That Major Lawrence has desired them to send Money to Tanjore for Payment of the Army at Tritchinopoly, which they cannot comply with but by our Direction, and desire a speedy supply of Cash. That Mr. Cooke has applied to them for An Advance to bear his Charges, but as they have not our Orders for it they have directed him to drawn on us, and desire [to] know whether they may supply him in future if he should stand in need of it—Enclosing an Indent for Military stores and a Copy of one sent them from Camp with a Letter from Lieut. Revell Quarter Master of Artillery, also a Petition of Clemente Poverio, setting forth his services & that he lost his Leg at the Battle of Syringham and praying an Allowance for his subsistence. The second dated the 18th. Instt. serving only to enclose an abstract of the Several Casualties that have happened in Schaub's Detachment since they have been at Pondicherry. The Third dated the 19th. Instant enclosing the Nabobs account and an account of Quick stock. Genl. Letter from Fort St. David read.

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Genl. Letter from Mr. Westgarth at Pegue.

N. 181 and N. 182 from Mr. Robt. Westgarth at Syrian, The first dated 15 June advising that he had drawn on us for 4750 Ticalls or 1900 Pagodas and that he should transmitt us his accounts on a vessell he was in daily Expectation of from the Negrais. The second dated the 2d. August acknowledging the Receipt of our Letter of the 4th. April, in Compliance therewith that he should observe Mr. Hunter's Directions, transmit him his accounts & advise him of his Negociations with the King of Pegue.

N. 183 from George Pigot Esqr. Chief [and] Council of Vizagapatam dated the 15th. Instant acquainting [us] that the Porto Bello sloop having touched there for water & Provisions, they supplied him with the sundries [as] by a List enclosed.

The President lays before the Board as enter'd hereafter a Letter to him from the Marquiss of Ovando Governour of Manilha and another from Don Fransisco Antonio Figueroa his Secretary, Desiring for the Reasons therein contained that one of the Confiscated Houses in the White Town of Madrass which belonged by Inheritance to the Wife of the said Don Fransisco Antonio Figueroa who was the Daughter of Don Geronimo de Ytta y Sallazar, and M: Francisca Melique may be restored to him, and that the sum of one thousand Pagodas which was agreed to be given him for another House in the Black Town that was demolished many years before the French beseiged this Place may be paid him accordingly, and the President acquainting the Board that in Regard to the abovementioned House said to be demolished in the Black Town, He had made Enquiry of Mr. Morse who was then the Head of the Committee for making Compensation to the Inhabitants whose Houses were demolished to make Room for the intended FORTIFICATION, and that he informed him that every one was fully satisfyed on that account and a Receipt taken from each Person upon a Parchment which was deposited in the Cash Chest and surrendered with that to the French when they took this Town. The Board are [. . . .] thereupon of Opinion that without ample Proof that satisfaction has not been already made for the said demolished House, no Moneys be paid on that Account, And in Regard to the House in the White Town, it is AGREED that as Our Honourable Masters have approved of the Confiscation, it cannot be restored without their particular Direction, that a Paragraph be inserted in the General Letter now preparing, in Relation therto and that the Governour of Manilha & his secretary be acquainted that We have wrote for Orders, and until We receive them can give no determin [. . .] Letter. And desire They will by the first [. . .] us with the necessary Proofs whereby the [. . .] the Property of the Wife of the said Don Francisco Antonio Figueroa.

thereon.

Letter from Captn. Edward Burman in Relation to Deficiencies in Rice laden on the Prince George.

The President lays before [the Board a] Letter from Captain Edward Burman [which is] enter'd hereafter offering to the Board his [proposals for] preventing Pilferage in the Companys Rice [. . .] it from the Godowns to the ship, desiring that [. . .] such allowance for Wastage as is usual in Cargo [. . .] and representing that he Estimates the Deficiencys [in the] Three hundred Bags already sent on board the [Prince George] at Eight ℔ Cent which is owing to Want of Care.

Order thereon.

The Board are of Opinion it is but [. . .] to make the same allowance as is usual in Cargo's of Rice [from] Bengal, that each Bag be weighed on shore in Pres[ence of] the Commander or some Person for him and contain one hundred and fifty Pounds, and that Peons attend [i . . .] agreeable to Captn. Burmans Proposal and that he [make] good all Deficiencies above what is herein before agreed [to] be allowed upon the Quantity specified in his Bill of Lading,

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Dr Munro desires Permission of Passage for his Daughter as does

Letter from Dr. Andrew Munro as enter'd hereafter requesting Leave of Passage to England on the Delawar for his Daughter Catherine Munro.

Captn. d'Morgan for his son on the Delawar.

Letter from Captn. John d'Morgan as enter'd hereafter, desiring Permission of Passage for his son Augustus d'Morgan to England on the Delawar.

Granted.

ORDER'D that the Secretary do [serve] Captain Winter Permits for that Purpose.

Church Wardens demand Payment of a Bond that was destroyed & of 2000 Pags. deposited in Cash for a Charity school stock.

A Letter from the Church Warden read as entered hereafter setting forth that they are empowered by a Vestry held the 20th. Instant to demand Payment of a Bond due to the Church stock dated the 30th. Septem. 1746 for Pagodas 2000 Principal, which Bond with a Duplicate were destroyed at the time the French declared this Town The King of France in Proof whereof they produce to the Board a Certificate under the Hands of Messrs. Nicholas Morse, E[yre] and Edward Harris three of the Persons who signed the said Bonds, declaring that the said Money was taken up of the Church Wardens by them on account of the Company, and Mr. Henry Powney declaring that the said Bonds & Duplicates were actually destroyed as beforementioned with the Knowledge of Messrs. Morse and Monson and some other Persons lest they should fall into the Hands of the French, it is AGREED that the Principal of the said Bond with the simple Interest thereon be discharged as Our Honble Masters direct the Payment thereof in Case satisfactory Proofs should be given (and the abovementioned are esteemed so) that it was actually destroyed.

The Bond to be paid.

The Charity school stock to be represented home.

The Church Wardens in their said Letter also demands Payment of the sum of Three thousand Pagodas which they alledge was paid into the Company's Cash to remain there as a Charity school stock at Eight ℘ Cent Interest, and Recourse being had to the Cash accounts it thereby appears that the sum was received the 7th. May 17 [46] for the purposes above set forth, but as Our Honble Masters have order'd in their Letter of the 24th. Janry. that no other Demands than what are there particularized be satisfied it is AGREED this Affair be represented to them in the Genl. Letter now preparing and that We wait their Directions thereon.

Mr. Brohiers Estimate of the Charge of building St. Thom' Redoubt. read.

Pursuant to an Order of last Consultation Mr. Brohiers Estimate of the Charge of building St. Thome Ridoubt, is laid before the Board, Order'd that it be enter'd hereafter & a copy transmitted to our Honble Masters by the Delawar.

Security to be demanded of Mr Pybus Executor & Captn. Chase for some of the Company's Cash that was left in the deceased's hands.

Mr. Alexr. Wynch Commissary, acquaints the Board that he is informed when Major Lawrence marched from Trivady, the Commissary in Camp by his Order left in the Hands of Lieutt. Davis One of the Officers appointed to remain there the sum of four hundred Pagodas and two thousand five hundred Rupees (as appears by a Receipt of the said Lieutt. Davis to the Commissary for the same which is now produced) to be for the use of the Garrison in Case of Need and that he (Mr. Wynch) as Contractor also by Major Lawrence's Order left with Mr. Davis likewise for the purchase of Provisions in Case of Need two hundred & fifty Pagodas, to prove which he produces Major Lawrence's Certificate and he therefore brought it immediately to the Company's Account, That he is informed after Lieutt. Davis was taken these sums remained in the Charge of Captn. Chase who, after the Place fell into the Hands of the French, being carried into Pondicherry where he died, there was found amongst his Effects a sum of Money which there is great Reason to beleive was part of the aforesaid sums, as he never received any Pay or other Allowance in the Field or at Trivady but order'd the same to be paid to his Agent at

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St. David, and it is likewise reported there was a Memorandum found in his Pocket Book corroborating the same Mr. John Pybus being his Executor and to leave us soon, The Secretary is ordered to demand of him security for the Payment of the sum found amongst his Effects at Pondicherry, if after further Enquiry it shall appear to belong to the Company.

None of the Company's Servants at Subordinates to quit their stations till accotts. are settled.

ORDER'D that None of the Company's servants be suffer'd on any Pretence to quit their Stations and Employs at any of the Subordinates untill they have fully settled their accounts with the Company and that if the Person appointed to succeed to any such Employs that neglect to see this Order strictly complied with he shall be answerable for any Losses that may happen thereby.

Mr. Westgarths Draft not to be accepted.

Mr. Robert Westgarth having drawn on us from Syrian for 4750 Ticalls or 1900 Pagodas without sending any account of his Disbursements or advising in what Manner the former supplies sent him have been disposed of, and as those supplies were very ample it is agreed that Acceptance of the said Bill be refused.

Three Lack of Rupees be sent to St. David with Military stores on Prince George.

RESOLVED That Three Lacks of Rupees be sent to Fort St. David on the Prince George and such of the Military stores indented for, as she can take in, and that the rest be sent as Conveyances offer.

Captn. Robert Sanders on requests leave to go to Bengal to settle his Affairs.

Granted.

THE President acquaints the Board that Captn. Robert Sanderson of the Bengal Detachment had requested Leave to return to Bengal for a short time to regulate some Affairs which require his Presence there, to which they consent.

Paymaster & Secry reads Ballances [of deceased] Persons.

The Paymaster and Secretary now lay before the Board the Accounts sales and accounts Curt. of the Estates and Effects, which, by order of Consultation were committed to their Charge to be disposed of and adjusted, belonging to the undermentioned Persons who died Intestate and they now pay in the several Ballances which are as follow.

	P.	F.	C
On account of Mr. John Trenwith deceased, One hundred, and seventy seven Pagodas thirty three fanams & fifty two Cash	177	33	52
On account of Mr. William Lefevre, One thousand five hundred and seventy two Pagodas thirty three fanams and forty Cash	1572	33	40
On account of M. Samuel Tatem, One thousand and fifty two Pagodas twelve fans. & Twenty four Cash	1052	12	24
On account of Mr. Joseph Edward Cooper, One thousand and twenty six Pagodas, twenty nine fanams and fifty Cash	1026	29	50
Pagodas ..	3830	1	6

Amounting together to three thousand Eight hundred and thirty Pagodas, One fanam and six Cash ORDERED that the said accounts Current be entered after the Mintues of this Consultation and that the accounts sale be deposited in the Secretrys Office to be referred to as occasion may require.

Two setts of Bills of Exchange of this Date are now signed drawn on the Honble Court of Directors at Ninety days sight and seven shillings & Eight pence ℔ Pagoda Vizt.

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setts.

		£.	s.	d.	Pags.	fa.	ca.
1	To Captn. Thos. Stevens or Order value of Mr. Andrew Munro	245	14	4	641	—	—
1	To Mr. Cornelius Goodwin or Order value of M. Henry Powney	76	19	6	200	29	10
2	setts amounting to .. .. .. £.	322	13	10	841	29	10

Three setts of Certificates of this date are now signed, by the several sums hereunder mentioned paid in to the Honble Companys Cash by Captn. Edmund Maskelyne on account of the following deceased Persons Estates to whom he is respectively Executor & Administrator Vizt.

setts

1	For two thousand five hundred and two Pagodas Eight fanams and Forty Eight Cash on account the Estate of Lieutt. James Trusler deceased	2502	8	48
1	For two hundred and fifty Eight Pagodas fourteen fanams and seventy three Cash on account the Estate of Ensign Samuel Melotte deceased	258	14	73
1	For Eighty six Pagodas two fanams on account the Estate of James Robinson deceased	86	2	—
3	Setts amounting to .. .. Pags.	2846	25	41

ORDER'D that the Paymaster and Captain of the Artillery Survey the war-like stores & muster the Men belonging to the Delawar as soon as the Bales are on board and report whether she is in a proper Condition to make a Defence against an Enemy in Case of being attacked. Delawar to be surveyed and mustered.

Messrs. Henry Vansittart, Charles Turner James Bourchier and George Pyne being now of Age deliver in their Covenants duely executed and take the usual Oath of Fidelity, and the two former being advanced to the station of Factors propose for their securities. Sundry Covenants executed & securities proposed.

Mr. Vansittart. John Frederick & Edmund Boehm Esqrs.

Mr. Turner. { Whichcott Turner Esqr. and Mr. John Turner Linnen Draper in Fleet street.

THE Covenants of Mr. William Roberts Free Merchant are also delivered in duely executed—ORDER'D that they be sent home in the Packet ℔ Delawar.

Pitloor Vencata Kistnah & Kellavah Chittee Beetle & Tobacco Farmers pay in Thirteen hundred and thirty three Pagodas twelve fanams for two Months Rent due the 1st. Ulto. Cash paid in On accott. of the Rent of the Beetle & Tobacco Farm.

Pitloor Vencata Kistnah & Kellavah Chittee Farmers of the Arrack & Wine License pay in Pagodas six hundred & sixty six twenty four fanams (666. 24.) for two Months Rent due the 1st. Ultimo. Cash paid in on accott. the arrack & Wine license.

The Secretary pays in to Cash the sum of ninety Pagodas (90) for three Months Rent of the Confiscated Houses due the 1st. Instant. Rent of the Confiscated Houses paid in.

The Sea Customer pays in One thousand (1000) Pagodas on his running Account for last Month. The Sea Customer pays Money into Cash.

THOS: SAUNDERS.
CHAS: BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR: WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CHS: BOURCHIER.

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To the Honble Thos. Saunders Esqr.

President & Governor &ca. Council of Fort St: George.
Honble Sir & Sirs

At a Vestry held the 20th. Instant, We were empowered to demand the Amount of a Bond, Principal Pagodas 2000 with Interest thereon, due to the Church stock from the Honble Company, dated 30th. Septr. 1746 but which, at the Taking of Madrass, was destroyed. To certifie the Truth whereof We take the Liberty to lay before your Honour &ca. a Certificate under the Hands of Messrs. Morse, Eyre, & Harris signifying the same, as also the sum of 3000 Pagodas Principal, with Interest, due to the School stock, which was taken into the Honble Companys Cash the 7th. May 1746 according to a Consultation of that Date, We therefore request your Honour &ca. will please to pay us the Principal & Interest of the above Bonds.

And as a sum sufficient to purchase an Organ for St. Mary's Church, has been deposited in the Church stock & we have desired Mr. Warde to make a Purchase of the same if not already sent, We request your Honour &ca. will write to the Company to permit an Organist to come out with it in One of their ships. We are very respectfully

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient most humble servants

Samuel Stavely. } *Ministers.*
Robt: Palk. }

John Smith. } *Church Wardens.*
Alexr: Wynch. }

Fort St: George
the 22d. October 1753.

To the Honble Thomas Saunders Esqr.

President & Governour &ca. Council of Fort St: George.
Honble Sir & Sirs

I am to beg the Favour of your Honour &ca. Permission for my Daughter to proceed to Europe on the ship Delawar and am with the greatest Respect

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient Humble Servant

Fort St: George.
22d. Octobr. 1753.

Andrew Munro.

To the Honble Thomas Saunders Esqr.

President & Governour &ca. Council of Fort St: George.
Honble Sir & Sirs

Intending to send my son Augustus d'Morgan to England, I request your Leave for him to proceed on the Delawar and that Captn. Winter may be served with a Permit to receive him and his necessaries on board.

I am
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedt. humble servant

Fort St: George.
22d. Octobr. 1753.

John D'Morgan.

The Estate of Mr. Joseph Edward Cooper *Deceased.*

Dr.					Cr.					
							Rupees	Pags.	fa.	ca.
Oct. 1.	To the Reverend Mr. Keirnander for Pallankeen hire paid his Note	12	—	—	1751 Octbr. 9	By Cash received his sallary as Writer due from the Company for 6 Months ending 25th. Septr.		6	9	—
	To Ballance	1026	29	50	1752 March 10	By ditto received of the Commissary due to him for Batta & Cooley hire.	677			
					15	By Do. received of the Military Paymaster ..		150	—	—
					30	By Do. received his sallary as Writer due from the Company for 6 Months ending the 25th. March.		6	9	—
					Octobr. 1	By Do. received his sallary as Writer due from the Company for 6 Months Ending the 25th. Septem.		6	9	—
					1753 Febry. 1	By Cash found in his Escrutore	39	72	—	—
					21	By Mr. Charles Turner received the Ballance of his account Curt. with the Estate amounting to		285	3	60
					April 15	By Captn. Edmund Maskelyne received of him due to the Estate ..	340			
					August 23	By Lieutt. Revel received the Ballance of his account Current due to the Estate of Captain Brohier	371	11	—	—
	Carried over ..	1038	29	50		Carried over ..	1427	525	30	60

THE ESTATE OF EPH EDWARD COOPER *Deceased.*

DR.

Brought Over ..	1038	29	50
Pagods. ..	1038	29	50

CR.

	Brought Over ..	1427	525	30	60
October. 1	By James Bourchier received of him for a Pallankeen Bedding ..		12	15	—
20	By the account of sundry's soid at Outcry as ℔ account sales ..		124	25	76
		1427	633	10	56
	@ 380 Rupees ℔ 100 Pags. is	..	375	18	74
	Pagods. ..		1038	29	50

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22D. DAY OF OCTOBER 1753.

ERRORS EXCEPTED
℔ CHAS. BODDAM.
CHAS. BOURCHIER.

The Estate of Mr. John Trenwith.

Dr.

1751					
[..] 31	To cash paid his Dubash's Wages at Pagodas 1½ ℔ Month .. Pagodas.		7	18	—
	To Kistnah paid his Note for a Peice of Cambrick & a peice of Morees ..		5	9	—
			12	27	—
	To Ballance		177	33	—
	Pagodas ..		190	24	[52]

Cr

1751						
[..]ber 26	By Cash found in his hand Escrutore .. Pags.	..		39	—	—
26	By ditto received two Months allowances due from the Company ..	..		16	8	—
	By ditto received his sallary due from Do. Vizt. For 6 Months from the 25th. March to the 25th. Septem ..	18	27	—		
	From the 25th. Septr. to the day of his Decease	1	31	40		
					20	22 40
1752						
[..] 1	By Mr. John Brohier received of him due to the deceased	..			6	18 —
1753						
[..] 20	By the Amount of Sundries sold at Outcry as ℔ Account sales	..			108	12 12
	Pagodas ..				190	24 52

Errors Excepted

Fort St. George.
[..] October 1753

℔ Chas. Boddam.
Chas. Bourchier.

THE ESTATE OF MR. WILLIAM LEFEVRE *deceased.*

Dr.

			Rupees	Pag.	fa.
1752					
Octobr.	10	To Cash paid Mr. Henry Brooke's Note for the Charges of his Funeral ..		49	9 —
1753					
May	1	To Mr. Mathew Clarke paid him the Amount of the deceased's Interest Note of Hand bearing date the 1st. May 1752.			
		Principal ..	150 — —		
		Interest for 4 Months .	4 — —		
				154	— —
Octobr.	1	To Cash paid the Taylor his Bill amounting to		5	30 —
		To ditto paid his servant 2 Months Wages		2	— —
		Carried Over ..		211	3 [..]

Cr.

			Rupees.	Pags.	f.	c.
1752						
October	1	By Cash received his sallary due from the Company as Writer from the 25th. March to the 23d. August the Day of his Decease		5	2	—
1753						
April	1	By ditto found in his Escrutore ..		2	34	10
			ozs. dwts.			
August	1	By the Amount of Dollars 868 10 received from England ℔ ship Boscawen @ Pags. 68 ℔ 100 Ozs.		590	20	70
		By Respondentia lent to the following Persons received back vizt.				
		To Robert Turing on ship Don Carlos to Persia.				
		Principal .. Rs. 1000 0 0				
		Premium 18 ℔ Cent .. 180 0 0				
			1180			
		To the Honble Thos. Saunders Esqr. on ship St. John Baptista to Manilha.				
		Principal .. Rs. 1000 0 0				
		Premium 18 ℔ Cent for 12 Months .. 180 0 0				
		1180 0 0				
		Interest thereon for 6 months to the 26th. Septr. at 8 ℔ Cent .. 47 3 2				
			1227	—	1	70
		Carried Over ..	2407	598	22	70

THE ESTATE OF MR. WILLIAM LEFEVRE *deceased—cont.*

					Rupees	Pags.	f.	c.
	Brought Over ..	211	3	[..]	Brought Over ..	2407	598	22	70
					To Robt. Turing on ship Fort St. David to China Principal Pags. 250 Premium 20 ℔ Cent .. 50		300	—	—
					Octobr. 20 By the Amount of sundries sold at Outcry as ℔ acco[tt]. sales		251	34	76
		211	3	—		2407	1150	21	66
	To Ballance	1572	3	—	@ 380 Rupees ℔ 100 Pagodas ..		633	15	14
	Pagodas ..	1784	1	—		Pagodas	1784	1	—

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[..] OCTOBER. 1753.

ERRORS EXCEPTED
℔ CHAS : BODDAM
CHAS : BOURCHIER.

LIBRARY OF THE BOMBAY BRANCH OF THE ROYAL ASIATIC SOCIETY.

THE ESTATE OF MR. SAMUEL TATEM *deceased.*

Dr.						Cr.			
1752									
Novemr.	1	To Cash paid Mr. Henry Brooke's Note for the Charges of his Funeral	Pags.	58	[..]	[..]			
1753									
Octobr.	1	To Do. paid Captn. Thos. Browne's Note for a pair of Glass shades.		4	[..]	[..]			
		To Do. paid his servants their Wages		8	[..]	[..]			
		To Do. paid Venganahs note for sundries supplied the deceased with		12	[..]	[..]			
				83	[..]	[..]			
		To Ballance ..		1052	[..]	[..]			
		Pagodas ..		1135	24	74			
1752									
October	11	By Cash received his sallary from the Company as Factor from the time of his arrival to the day of his decease.					9	24	—
1753									
[..]	1	By Do. received his Monthly allowances from the company for the following Months.							
		July 22 days the Company				6 17 37			
		August				8 23 24			
		September 19 days ..				5 17 5			
		October				8 23 24			
							29	9	10
October	1	By Mr. Henry Vansittart received of him the Ballance of his account Current with the Estate amounting ..					905	24	6[..]
	20	By the Amount of sundry's at Outcry as ℔ Account Sales					191	3	—
		Pagodas ..					1135	24	7[..]

FORT ST. GEORGE
THE [..] DAY OF OCTOBR. 1753.

ERRORS EXCEPTED.
℔ CHAS. BODDAM.
CHAS. BOURCHIER.

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ESTIMATE of The expence of Building the new Redoubt at S^{t}. Thome Built in 1750.

	Digging the Ditch 568 feet Circumference, 9 foot deep, and 40 foot broad 3195 Roods at 4 fanams ℔ Rod [*sic.*] ..				355	— —
466	Foot of Revetment to the Body of the Place 14 foot high and 3 foot thick conta. ..	19572	Foot Cube.			
15	Buttrasses cont. 150 Foot each	2250				
670	Foot of countorscarp 1 foot high & 3 foot thick	22110				
48	Buttrasses conta. 150 Foot Cube each ..	6450				
980	Foot of Parapet of the cover'd Way 7 foot high and 2 foot thick	13720				
980	Foot of Banquetts to ditto 4 foot Cube ..	3120				
129	Foot Length of Traverses conta.	2161				
129	Foot of Banquetts to Ditto	516				
434	Foot of Ditto to the Parapet of the Revetement of the Body of the Place ..	1736				
48	Foot length of Drains	192				
6	Door Peers 11 foot by 9 Cube	594				
	Godown Walls and Lodgements and other necessary Repairs	5195				
		77616	Cubical Foot.			
	Conta. 14 Lacks of Brick Work at Pags. 367 7 13 ℔ Lack ..				5140	28 22
	Carpenter's &cas. Work.					
	The false Bray Gates Conta. 42 foot 10 inches superficial Hinges &c^{a}. appertaining to them	43	— —			
	A Draw Bridge & standing Bridge with Iron work compleat	148	— —			
	The Leavers of the Draw Bridge Iron Work included.	78	27 —			
	A step Ladder Estimated at	11	4 —			
	Doors and Windows to 6 Godowns	48	— —			
	6 Doors to two Magazines with their Copper hinges Hooks &c^{a}.	60	— —			
	The Barrier Gate with all it's Iron Work	43	— —			
	The Barracado Door to the Upper Part of the Battery 9 Inches thick with a Brass Rowler ..	54	— —			
	10 Doors, Hinges, Lock's &c^{a}. within the Battery ..	60	— —			
	3 Window Casements &c^{a}.	9	— —			
	The Roofs of 4 Godowns conta. 80 Palmeira's Reepers &c^{a}.	25	— —			
	Blinds for the Embrasures	25	— —			
	The Roof of an Out house sheded conta. 11 Palmieras &c^{a}.	6	— —			
					610	31 —
	Tiles for the Godowns &c^{a}.		..		8	— —
	Levelling & ramming Ground in the cover'd Way ..		..		60	— —
	Levelling Ground on the Glacies		..		200	— —
				Pagodas ..	6374	23 22

N.B. That some of the People who worked on the Repairs of this Redoubt say they levelled a great hill of sand just by it, which was close to the Parapet of the covered Way and commanded it, and therefore this has been an additional Expence not estimated above, the Bullock hire in carrying Part of the Bricks from the Brick Kilns has been also an additional expence.

FORT S^{T}: GEORGE
THE 24TH. OCTOB^{R}. 1753. JOHN BROHIER.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, OCTOBER 1753*——

HONBLE SIR

As you was pleased to order I would give you in Writing my Proposals for preventing such extraordinary Deficiencies in the Rice as has happen'd in the 300 Baggs already shipt on board the Honble Companys ship Prince George, I humbly conceive you will not think that I am now going to offer, an unreasonable Request; which is that every Bagg may be weighed ashore at a stated Weight (which I am ready to get done) after which it will be very easy for the Officer on board to perceive if there is a considerable Deficiency, and in such case to return it directly for shore with the Peon that attends it, under the Care of an Officer of the ship that such Peons & Boat People may be made accountable for the same. If some such Regulation as this be made, I can with a moderate allowance for Waste (which always happens) be able to answer for what may be lost, and I imagin the Common Loss of Rice from Bengal to this place which is about 6 ℔ cent cannot be thought too much to allow from here to the West Coast.

Perhaps your Honour may think that after such Regulation as this, it is not likely that there can be so much Deficiency in Rice as from Bengal here, To which I must beg Leave to remark, That it is sent off there in this Manner and when sent ashore here it is under the Care of the Captain or supra Cargo's our servants who are immediately answerable to them for any Irregularities, when on the Contrary I have neither Purser Conicoply nor even a Cooley allowed me to inspect or assist in these Things.

Objections I know have already been made to this and I have been asked why I do not send for Lascars to look after the Company's Goods when going off, but I beleive sir you are sensible it would not only be taking too many Men out of the ship at once but as they have always four Months Pay advanced them before they go on board one half of them would desert and by that Means the ship would be distressed for Lascars who are not to be got here without a great deal of Time and Trouble.

The three hundred Baggs of Rice already gone off turns out at the most moderate Calculation I can make 3200 lb. short of what it was weighed off shore at which is Eight ℔ Cent Loss before they are stowed away in the Hold, and as I have taken all the Care that was in my Power to prevent such Deficiency and made any Complaint from the first Boat that went on board I hope sir you will not think it reasonable I should be answerable for so considerable a Loss which I could by no Means prevent.

I am
HONBLE SIR
Your most humble and most Obedient Servant
EDWARD BURMAN.

FORT ST: GEORGE
18TH. OCTOBER 1753.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.

The Good Harmony which now subsists between your Government & this makes me hope that [on] the subjects thereof find all the satisfaction which their Complaints require here in accidents & Affairs of which Past & present Experience gives Proof, so likewise those of these Islands will meet with the same Reception & Protection especially as your Honour directs that Place with a Prudence & Rectitude which is well known.

Don Francisco Antonio Figueroa who is my Secretary of Government and War. contracted Matrimony with Donna Cecilia de Ytta & Sallazar who I am informed was born in Madrass in Novr. 1718 & is now living in Manilha being the only Daughter, of D. Geronimo de Ytta and Salazar & of M. Francisca Milique. By which Means and the Death of Don Geronimo in Pondicherry in 1751 (where he had married on the Death of his said Wife with Dona Juana

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de Bar) a Partition was made of both the Inheritance between D. Pedro de Ytta and the other Brothers which [*sic*] are in Pondicherry And there being in Madrass two Houses which belong to Donna Cecilia as the Portion of her Mother M. Melique, One of which the English demolished in the black Town when they treated of fortifying that Place many years before the French besieged it, on Conditions stipulated with the said D. Geronimo that the Company should pay for it 1000 Pagodas (notwithstanding it cost 1400) which sum not being paid, the said Don Pedro Claimed it of your Honour desiring this Reimbursement & the value of that House now situated in the white Town, in order to give an account thereof and satisfy the said Figueroa to whom they now belong which had no Effect on Pretence that the Resolution of the Company was expected from London ommitting the Common Report (with many others of this kind) that this happened because they were Effects of Roman Catholics whose Priviledges which before were free have been limited since the Restitution of that Place by the French as appears by the Letters which passed between your Honour & him on that Occasion.

Now the said Don Francisco having complained of this Proceeding alledging many remarkable services which his Father Don Geronimo had done for the Company pretending that a due satisfaction of this Wrong appears to be just here, I have ordered that he should write to your Honour with my Recommendations not doubting but that on the Knowledge of this, the most just Means will be taken and that these Complaints will be obviated, which as Governour & Father of this Republick I am obliged to defend.

And on these Terms he rests satisfied at present, giving full Powers and Instructions to Mr. W. Roberts second supercargo of the ship called Laxor, who returns & has offered to interpose with your Honour in this Affair.

And relying that from the Justice & great worth of your Honour the said Person will meet with a due Protection, I am assured of the good Issue of his Pretension & your Honour will find me in Consequence thereof obliged to the best Correspondence in whatever depends on my Part.

THE MARQUISS OF OVANDO.

MANILHA
FEBRUARY 12TH. 1752.

HONBLE SIR

I find myself under a Necessity to importune your Honour that you will be pleased to take under your Care & Protection with the Justice & Equity which is worthy of your station, The Pretensions which Mr. Willm. Roberts has been pleased to take charge of, that by Means of your Intervention the Company may deliver up to me the House which Don Geronimo de Ytta & Salazar an Inhabitant of Madrass & Father of my Wife Donna Cecilia de Ytta, dying in Pondicherry in 1751 left in Madrass, which house belongs to me as the Portion of M. Melique her Mother, whom the said Don Geronimo married to his first Wife, And at also of One thousand Pagodas which the said Company offered to pay for the House which he had in the Black Town & which a long time before the late wars was thrown down and demolished on those Conditions, in order to better fortify that Place.

My Brother in Law Don Pedro de Ytta who lives at Pondicherry acquainted me with the steps he has taken for this Reimbursement, and that it has been refused or def[erred] and to satisfy me he has remitted all the Letters which he writ to your Honour and the Answers, which I have delivered to Mr. W. Roberts my Attorney for beleiving that your Honour will render me all the Justice which is due to me on the subject, I have omitted any other Presentation than that of praying the Governour of these Islands (to whom I have the Honour to be Secretary) to recommend this Business to your Honour, which he

does in Consideration of the Character which the English have of being strongly inclin'd to do Justice and that the Spaniards inhabiting these Islands have always endeavoured to cultivate the same Conduct with that Nation.

If I shall have the Favour at the same time to receive your Honours Commands it will be the utmost of my Wishes.

FRANCISCO ANTONIO FIGUEROA.

MANILHA,
13TH. FEBRY. 1753.

25 Sailed ship Mary, Alexander Reed for Bengal with a General Letter to the President & Council there dated the 22d. Instant.

— Sailed ship Brill, Francis Taylor for Bengal.

— Do. Scooner Fanny, Hannoumunton Syrang for Fort St. David.

— Received by Pattamar General Letter from Bandarmalanka dated the 7th. Instant.

24 Captain Winter being on board his ship sent to the President the following Protest Vizt.

WHEREAS on or about the Twenty third day of October last past Captn. Thos. Winter Commander of the ship Delawar then lying in the Road of Madrass on the Coast of Choromandel in the East Indies was by him & others as thinking the Monsoons were lately to sett in and the ship and Cargo would thereby run a great Risque even under the Presumption of the Loss of the ship. WHEREFORE He the said Thomas Winter being of himself firmly convinced as well as advertized that the Precarious Times or Circumstance of the season have render'd it unsafe for him to continue in this Road of Madrass untill in all Probability the said ship may receive her proper Dispatches.

WHEREFORE I the said Thomas Winter have protested and by these Presents do Protest for and against all Costs Charges Losses Damages and Disadvantages that may ensue for or by Reason of the Premises be the sa[me] by the Dangers of the seas, Rivers, Enemies, Pyrates or otherways.

THOMAS WINTER.
CANHAM UNDERWOOD.
T: ATKYNS.

FORT ST: GEORGE ROAD
OCTOBR. THE 24TH. 1753.

which being communicated to the several Gentlemen of Council They were of Opinion that altho' it be of no Manner of Force as the Delawar is absolutely under the Direction of the President and Council untill the Expiration of her Charter Party Terms in febry next, yet the Secretary was directed to return the following Answer.

To CAPTN. THOS. WINTER
OF SHIP DELAWAR.

SIR

I am ordered by the President & Council to acknowledge the Receipt of your Protest dated the 24th. Instant and to acquaint you they look upon the same to be of no valid[ity] as by your Charter Party It is left entirely to them to dispatch or detain your ship here as the Exigency of the Company's Affairs may render it most proper. However They have ordered the same to be entered upon their Record.

I am
SIR
Your most Obedt. servant
CHAS: BOURCHIER
Secry.

FORT ST. GEORGE
26TH. OCTOBR. 1753.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, OCTOBER 1753*——

Sailed sloop Orange Tree, William Dougan, for Bengal. 25
Dº. sloop Alice, William Sutherland for Dº. —
Received by Tappies Genl. Letter from Fort Stt. David dated 22d. Octr. 26
Sailed snow Don Carlos Herbert Sutherland for Ingeram. —

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVR. PRESIDT. MONDAY THE 29TH.
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXR: WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

Minutes of last Consultation read and signed.

General Letters read Vizt.

N. 185 from Mr. John Andrews at Bandarmalanka dated the 7th. Instant accompany a sett of the last years Books of that settlement, Ballanced also the Monthly accounts. Genl. Letter from Bandmlka. read.

N. 186. from the Deputy Governour & Council of Fort St. David dated the 22d. Instant Enclosing Indent for Military stores which they desire our speed Compliance with as well as the last Indent sent us Enclosing also a Parcel of Letters taken from a French soldier on the Road from Camp to DeveCotah. Genl. Letter from Fort St. David read.

Pursuant to Order of last Consultation the Paymaster and Captn. Brohier deliver in their Report of the Condition of the Delawar together with a Muster of her Crew & List of warlike stores with their Opinion that she is capable of making a Defence in case of being attacked. The Delawar reported in a deffensive Condition.

Numboor Soubiah Linga Chittee &ca. late Renters of the Poonemalee Country, pay in Eighty three Pagodas & twelve fanams (83. 12) in full for the Rent due on that Cowle which expired the 1st. July last. Money paid in by the Renters of the Poonamallee Country.

The following Dispatches are now signed vizt. Dispatches p Delawar signed.

General Letter to the Honble Court of Directors.
Separate General Letter to Dº.
Import Warehouse Indent for Goods for Use & sale for the year 1755.
Storehouse Dº.
Military storehouse Dº.

Indent for Mint utensils.

General Letter to the Govr. & Council of Stt. Helena. Captain Winters Dispatch.

All dated this Day.

The Bales being all gone off, ORDERED that as soon as the Invoice is compleated and the Bills of Lading sign'd, The Packet be made up & delivered.

THOS: SAUNDERS.
CHAS: BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR: WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CHAS: BOURCHIER.

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29 Sailed ship Elizabeth (formerly S[t]. John Baptista) Edmund Massey for Bengal.

30 This Morning sailed the Honble Companys ship Delawar Captain Tho[s]. Winter for England.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

TUESDAY THE 30TH.

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQ[R]. GOV[R]. PRESID[T].
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXANDER WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of last Consultation dated yesterday read & signed.

Mr. Bourchier resigns Secretarys Employ. Mr. Dupre succeeds him & Mr. Russell appointed Sub Secretary.

Mr. Charles Bourchier desiring Leave to resign the Secretary's Employ, agreeable to the Resolution in Consultation the 28th. of August permitting him to do so after the Dispatch of the Delawar, The Board consent thereto, and Mr. Josias Dupre being called in, is ordered to take Charge thereof and Mr. Claud Russell also attending is directed to act as Subsecretary.

Letter from Captain Burman desiring that he may not be charged with a Deficiency in Rice which happened before it went on board. To be made Good by the Export Wareh[o]. Conicoply, Sea Gate Dubash & ye. Head Boatman.

Letter from Captain Edward Burman read as entered hereafter representing that the first three hundred Baggs of Rice shipped on the Prince George were found to contain when they came on board at least Three thousand two hundred Pounds less than when weighed on shore and that as the Deficiency happened before the Rice came into the ship he hopes he shall not be obliged to make it good. The Board judging it a Hardship that Captain Burman should be charged with what was never actually in his custody, at the same time thinking it as highly necessary the Company should not suffer and that some Means should be provided to prevent such Pilferage in future which could never happen but thro' the Knavery or Neglect, of the Dubashes, Conicoplies, or Head Boatmen, RESOLVED that the Sea Gate Dubash The Export Warehouse Conicoply, and the Head Boatman make Good the said Deficiency and that the Export Warehousekeeper recover the same which may render them more circumspect hereafter.

Letter from ye. Doctors representing that the Coffreys are sick.

Letter from Doctor's Andrew Munro and Robert Turing to the President read as entered here-after representing that most of the Coffreys are sick of the small Pox, Fevers &c[a]. and not in a Condition to be sent to the West Coast.

They are not to be sent to Fort Marlbro ℔ Prince George.

AGREED That the Sending them be postponed to another Opportunity and that a Postscript be added to the General Letter to Fort Marlborough of the 15th. Instant acquainting them with our Reasons for altering our Intentions, and that as Mr. Hunter finds it necessary to detain the Cuddalore sloop at the Negrais some time longer We shall send them the Long Cloth ordinary they have indented for, by the ship to touch here in January and fill up at the West Coast.

Some French Deserters to be sent to the West Coast

Several French Deserters having enlisted themselves here, as it has been experienced that Deserters from the French service are not to be depended upon this Coast, AGREED that they be sent to Fort Marlbro to be incorporated in the Military there.

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The season being far advanced and the Weather very precarious RESOLVED that instead of the three Lacks of Rupees agreed in Consultation the 22d. Instant to supply the Gentlemen at Fort St. David with by the Prince George only one Lack of Rupees and thirty thousand Pagodas be sent and that the Remainder be conveyed to them by the first safe Opportunity's that may offer.

30,000 Pags. and only one, instead of three Lack of Rupees, to be sent to St. David p. Prince George.

AGREED that We write to the Deputy Govr. & Council of Fort St. David in answer to the several Letters received from them since our last that We highly disapprove of their Introducing a new Merchant contrary to positive Orders which are that whenever any Proposals of that kind are made they are to be communicated to the Presidency for their Approbation especially as they have not even acquainted us with the Persons Name but call him Linga Chitte's agent. We therefore expect they will be answerable for his Engagement and We absolutely forbid their doing the like in future. That as the Salem Merchants cant bring in what they say they have in Readyness, there is no Occasion for further Advances to them. That if the other Merchant's Ballances are reduced they should not be laid aside but be advanced with the others. That We judge it improper during the unsettled state of the Country to advance more than 5000 Pagodas at a time. That in a regard to their not having been in a Capacity to exert themselves for Want of supplies, from January till the Removal of the French to Tritchenopoly they were entirely surrounded and the President then wrote to the Deputy Governour he was of Opinion the Cloth might be brought to DeveCotah & from thence by Boat & his Answer was the Merchants would not undertake it. That we wrote to Major Lawrence to afford the Merchants an Escort for their Cloth from Salem but we dont find it is come in. That the Casualty's of Captain Schaub's Company are not sufficient, We must have the Monthly Pay Rolls at Length, and We expect that the Paymaster has them to produce, and Vouchers must in all Cases be taken for every Delivery and Payment. That We remark the slowness of their Washers in curing their Cloth, and would them enquire whether they are paid the stipulated Prices. That the Nabobs Account must be sent us and if it be not ready a Committee of the Board must be appointed to compleat it as soon as possible. That no Person must quit his station untill, he has settled his accounts with the Company, The Person succeeding to his Employs is to see this done and if he neglects it he must be answerable for any Loss, That we shall send an ample supply of Treasure by the Prince George and they must get Boats in Readiness to land the Consignment that she may not be detained that they may be better able to judge than we whether it is not safer to send the Money for the Army by Boat to DeveCotah than by Peons as Chellimbrum is in the Enemy's hands. That they may supply Mr. Cook with what may be necessary to defray his Expences. That we approve their detaining the Dragon as they could not get their Bales ready to send us on her That We shall consider of Clemente Poverio's Petition & acquaint them with our Resolution. That We cannot send them the Plank they indent for by the Prince George, but shall do it by the first proper Conveyance That We shall send them the Fort St. David Military Paymasters Accounts 1751 which Mr. Powney informs us they want which they must copy & return us the Original.

Fort St. David to be wrote to.

As the Place of Under Searcher of the Sea Gate will become vacant on the Departure of Mr. John Walsh for the West Coast ORDER'D That Mr. Henry Vansittart take Charge thereof.

Mr. Henry Vansittart appointed under Searcher of the Sea Gate.

A Surgeon being wanted for the Negrais and Mr. William Anderson late surgeon's Mate of the Edgbaston who was left sick here being desirous of that Employ, ORDER'D that he be entertained and proceed on the Porto Bello sloop shortly to be dispatched.

Mr. Willm. Anderson entertained as surgeon for the Negrais.

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Report of the Negrais Timber.

The President acquaints the Board that he had desired Mr. Brohier to examine the Timber brought from the Negrais in the Porto Bello sloop and that he was of Opinion it is a kind of Portia Tree and might be very useful for making of Carriages if brought over in Pieces of 15 or 16 Inches Diameter, tho' it does not seem so durable as Teak and much more subject to be eat by the White Ants RESOLVED that the Company's Vessels employed between this Place and the Negrais be loaded with that kind of Timber from thence rather than come empty when Teak cannot be procured.

The Negrais Timber to be brought in the Companys Vessels when Teak cant be procured.

Mr. Brohier to survey the sorting Godown & apartments and deliver in an Estimate of Repairs.

The Export Warehousekeeper represents to the Board that the sorting Godown and apartments are very much out of Repair ORDER'D That Mr. Brohier survey the same and deliver in an Estimate of the Charge of the necessary Repairs thereof.

No Persons employed on the Companys works to undertake private Business.

That the Companys Works may meet with as few Interruptions as possible especially from self-interested views which it is apprehended might be the Case if those employed in carrying them on are suffered to undertake private Business on their own accounts it is RESOLVED that no person whatever employed on the Fortifications or other of the Company's Works do on any account undertake private Buildings or other Business without Leave of the President & Council.

No foreign letters to be sent home in the Company's Packet.

It having been intimated to the Board that many French and other foreign Letters are conveyed to Europe in the Company's Packets under Cover to Persons in England which in the present Circumstances of affairs had better be avoided, The Secretary is hereby directed to deliver in to the Board all such Letters brought to him to be forwarded to Europe in the Company's Packet as he may have any Reason to suspect of containing foreign Letters.

Mr. Richd. Brickenden ordered to proceed to DeveCotah in the Room of Mr. Dawson.

Mr. George Dawson at DeveCotah being ordered up hither as soon as he shall have settled the accounts of that settlement with Mr. Hopkins ORDER'D that Mr. Richard Brickenden proceed to Fort St. David on the Prince George & from thence to DeveCotah by the first Conveyance that may offer, as an assistant to the Chief & that a General Letter be Wrote advising Mr. Hopkins thereof.

Monthly Accotts. read vizt.

Mint.

Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master reads that account for last Month Ballance remaining in the Mint One hundred & five thousand six hundred & fifty one Arcot Rupees One anae (105651. 1.) Thirty two (32) Madrass Pagodas and seven thousand five hundred & thirty seven Current Pagodas seven Fanams and twenty five Cash (7537. 7. 25) which is carried forward.

Export Warehouse.

Charles Boddam Export Warehousekeeper reads that account for last Month, Ballance due from him, sixty four Pagodas twenty fanams & Eighteen Cash (64. 20. 18) which is carried forward.

Paymaster.

Charles Boddam Paymaster reads that account for last Month.

Charges Garrison	238	18	5
Hospital Charges	224	3	70
Peons & Servants Wages	359	29	—
Charges General	81	7	22
Charges Extraordinary	216	1	48
Repairs	1680	—	66
Fortifications	1451	23	7
Poonamalee & ca : Villages	27	14	52
St. Thome & ca : Villages	26	5	41
Expedition to Negrais	41	9	—
Carried over ...	4346	4	71

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Brought over ..	4346	4	71
Fort Marlborough	12	13	—
Charges Cattle	66	24	—
Charges Diet	583	12	—
	5008 ·	17	71

Ballance due from him Three thousand seven hundred and seventy four Pagodas Eight fanams & two Cash, which is carried forward.

The Extraordinary Expences in the Paymasters accounts are enter'd hereafter.

Sea Customer. Henry Powney Sea Customer reads that account for last Month, Ballance due from him Eight thousand one hundred and fourteen Pagodas Thirty four fanams and forty one Cash (8114. 34. 41) of which he now pays in one thousand (1000) Pagodas in part.

Import warehouse. Henry Powney Import Warehousekeeper reads that account for last Month, Ballance due from him twenty three thousand Eight hundred & twenty one Pagodas, thirty four fanams & fourteen Cash (23821. 34. 14) which is carried forward.

Storekeeper. Alex^{r}. Wynch Storekeeper reads that account for last Month, Ballance due from him Three thousand five hundred and seventeen Pagodas twenty five fanams and seventy seven Cash (3517. 25. 77) which is continued in his hands for sundry Disbursements on the Prince George & Porto Bello sloop.

Land Customer. John Smith Land Customer reads that account for last Month, Ballance due from him Three hundred & Ninety five Pagodas, Thirty three fanams and forty seven Cash (395. 33. 47) which he now pays in.

Military Paymaster. John Smith Military Paymaster reads that account for last Month, Ballance due to him Three thousand four hundred & Nineteen Pagodas nine fanams and Eleven Cash (3419. 9. 11) which is carried forward.

Military storekr. Charles Bourchier Military storekeeper reads that account for last Month, Ballance due to him four hundred & fifty Three Pagod[as] twenty two fanams and thirty nine Cash (453. 22. 39) which is carried forward.

advances out of cash AGREED That the following Advances be made out of Cash Viz^{t}.

To commissary To the Commissary Three thousand three hundred & fifty one Pagodas twelve fanams and fifty two Cash (Pag^{s}. 3351. 12. 52) to defray the Charges of the Troops abroad.

Military Paymr. & To the Military Paymaster Nine thousand five hundred and forty Pag^{s}. nineteen fanams & thirty seven Cash, (9540. 19. 37) on account of the Ballance due to him for the Month of September & to pay the Military.

Paymaster. To the Paymaster Three thousand (3000) Pagodas for the Charges of that Employ.

Cash paid in by impo. warehokeeper. Henry Powney Import Warehousekeeper pays in One thousand three hundred and fifty one Pagodas, twelve fanams & fifty two Cash (1351. 12. 52) on account of Rupees sold.

THO^{S}: SAUNDERS.
CHA^{S}: BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
A^{R}. WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CHA^{S}: BOURCHIER.

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EXTRAORDINARY EXPENCES in the Paymasters accounts are in the following Particulars Septem. 1753.

Charges Garrison	1	29	—
Hospital Charges	6	1	15
Peons & Servants wages	13	18	—
Charges General	4	10	32
Charges Extraordinary	210	1	48
Repairs	1680	—	66
Fortifications	1451	23	7
Poonamalee & ca: Villages	27	14	52
St: Thome & ca: Villages	26	5	41
Expedition to Negrais	41	9	—
Fort Marlborough	12	13	—
Pagodas ..	3480	18	21

ERRORS EXCEPTED.
CHAS: BODDAM,
Paymr.

TO THE HONBLE THOS. SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST: GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

As the first Three hundred Bags of Rice that were shipt on board the Prince George proved when they came into the ship to weigh at least 3200 Pounds less than what they were weigh'd off at ashore I hope your Honour &ca. will be pleased to take it into Consideration and not let me stand charged with that Deficiency since tis plain that it must have been lost before it came into the ship, which was impossible for me to prevent.

I am
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most dutifull & most Obedient servant
EDWARD BURMAN.

FORT ST: GEORGE
OCTOBER THE 29TH. 1753.

HONBLE SIR

Having visited the Coffreys according to Orders We think that most or all of them are sick and greatly out of Order with small Pox, Fevers, with Cutaneous Eruptions, Coughs, Colds, shortness of Breath proceeding from an obstructed Perspiration and indeed scarcely any of them fitt to be sent on board ship, We are

HONBLE SIR
Your Honou's most humble & obedient Servants
ANDREW MUNRO.
ROBT: TURING.

FORT ST: GEORGE
OCTOBR. 27TH. 1753.

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.

31 Received by Tappies General Letters from Mr. Charles Hopkins Chief of DeveCotah dated 17th. Instant and from Mr. George Dawson at DeveCotah dated 18th. Instant.

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Sent by Tappies General Letter to Fort S^{t}. David dated this Day. 1

Received by Pattamar General Letter from Ingeram dated the 8th. Ult^{o}. 2

Sailed the Honble Company's ship Prince George Edward Burman for Fort S^{t}. David and Fort Marlborough with General Letters for both these settlements and DeveCotah (dated, Viz^{t}. That to Fort Marlborough the 15th. and 30th. Ult^{o}. and the other two the 2^{d}. Instant) and the following Passengers, Viz^{t}. Mess^{rs}. John Walsh and John Pybus supravisors and Captain Lieut^{t}. Edward Pero, for the West Coast and M^{r}. Richard Brickendon for DeveCotah and Captains John Grant & Robert Sanderson for Camp. 3^{p}

Sailed the Honble Companys sloop Porto Bello, William Grierson for the Negrais with a General Letter to David Hunter Esq^{r}. dated the 4th. Instant. 5

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQ^{R}. GOV^{R}. PRESIDENT. MONDAY THE 5th.
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXANDER WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.
CHA^{S}: BOURCHIER.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of last Consultation dated the 30th. Octob^{r}. read & signed.

General Letters read Viz^{t}.

N. 187 From M^{r}. Cha^{s}. Hopkins Chief of DeveCotah dated the 17th. Ult^{o}. acquainting us of his arrival there, That M^{r}. Dawson had delivered over to him the Charge of the settlement and that he had laden six hundred & fifty Piles on the Dragon. Genl. Letter from DeveCotah read.

N. 188. From M^{r}. George Dawson at DeveCotah dated the 18th. Ult^{o}. acquainting us that agreeable to our Orders he had delivered over to Mr. Hopkins the Charge of that settlement with the several Books and shall at the End of the Month give him a correct account Remains of stores and then proceed hither by the first Opportunity, Enclosing the monthly accounts for September. Genl. Letter from Mr. Dawson at DeveCotah read.

N. 189. From WestCott Esq^{r}. Resident at Ingeram dated the 8th. of October, accompanying the Books of that settlement Ending April 1753 with the monthly accounts for September, and acquainting us that the Affairs between the Nabob & Rajah are as far as ever from being accommodated and many of the Weavers have moved off with their Effects into the Ellore Country That the Nabob has demanded of him the Rents of the Towns &c^{a}. granted the Company by the Rajah, but that he has put him off by saying they are not due till Christmass when he will pay them to the proper Persons, and desires our Instructions how to act in this Affair. Genl. Letter from Ingeram.

Draughts of General Letters to the northern settlements are now read and approved Viz^{t}. Draughts approved.

To George Pigot Esq^{r}. Chief &c^{a}. Council at Vizagapatam. That as Coll. Scott during his short stay could not form a perfect Plan of their Fortification and proposes to return in January, and as the Works he has directed them to set about repairing, cannot suffer much for want of it between this & then, We would have them deferr it and in the mean time prepare a Quantity of Brick & Chunam. That as the Nabobs refusing to grant them Liberty to coin Dubbs may really be thro' Fear of disobliging the French, we would not have them press for publick Leave, but to desire he will connive at their doing it privately for the use of the Companys own settlements only. That We have To Vizagapatam.

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received the sixty five Bales they sent us ℔ Alice Sloop and were greatly disappointed that the Quantity was so small, but hoped, as they advise the Troubles were subsided, that they would have been able to invest the whole supply we have sent them, and tho' Mr. WestCott writes the Troubles still subsist, We don't doubt but they will exert themselves to procure as much good Cloth as possible, which must be sent us up early in Janry, as much of it bleached as they can get done and the rest brown. That We approve, their declining to advance the Rajah the sum he requested, which must never be done but in Cases of absolute Necessity. That the Chints they sent us is at the Wash, when 'tis cured We shall give them our sentiments on it. That it must be observed as a standing Order that no Person is to quit his station without first settling his accounts with the Company and the Person succeeding must see it done, or be answerable for any Loss that may happen, That their Books to April 1753 must be sent us ballanced and their account Quick stock, That they may supply Mr. Andrews at Madapollam with 20 or 30 Muskets and what Military Stores he may want and they can spare, That the Delawar sailed for Europe the 30th. Ultimo.

To Ingeram. To Foss Westcott Esqr. Resident at Ingeram That we have received the one hundred Bales consigned to us ℔ Don Carlos, which is very short of the usual Quantity and We imagine what he alledges as the Cause Vizt. The Troubles and Want of Dubbs would equally effect Mr. Andrews & yet he has succeeded much better. We rather think it proceeds from a bad Custom the Merchants are fallen into of providing a bad sortment which obliges him to reject a great Part and we recommend to him to persevere in turning out all Cloth inferiour to Muster which may in time have a good Effect. That his last advices differ from Mr. Pigots, who writes us that the Troubles are at an End We hope it will prove so and that he will be able to invest the whole supply. We have sent him in good Cloth which must be sent us up early in January bleached if possible or what cant be cured in time, brown. That no Person must quit his station without settling his accounts with the Company and the Person succeeding to any Employ must see it done or be answerable for any Loss that may happen. This is a standing Order. That in Regard to the Rents demanded by the Nabob, We would have him write to the Rajah and hear his answer, and act so as to keep fair if possible with both Parties. That the Delawar left us the 30th. Ulto. for England.

Draught approved To Madapollam. To Mr. John Andrews Resident at Madapollam that We received one hundred & seventy two Bales he consigned us ℔ George sloop which turned out tolerably good, We should have been glad the Quantity had been larger but even that was acceptable. That the French buying up his turned out Cloth must be no Example to him, but he must be very carefull to keep up his sortment. That We are informed many of the English & Swiss who were Prisoners at Pondicherry have entered into the French service, and are sent to Metchlepatam to reinforce Mr. Bussy, We think it might have a good Effect if he were to publish an Offer of Pardon and five Pagodas a Man to all that will surrender themselves, and direct him to do so. That no Person is to quit his station without first settling his accounts with the Company and whoever succeeds to an Employ must be answerable for all Losses, if he neglects to see this done. That as much of his Cloth as can be cured by January must be sent us with the rest brown. That the Delawar sailed from hence the 30th. Ulto. for England.

Letter from Messrs. Walsh & Vansittart in Relation of a Bond to the Mayors Court left in their hands. Letter from Messrs. Walsh & Vansittart read as entered hereafter, setting forth that Mr. Joseph Fowke who was Mayor of Madrass in 1746 left in their hands a Bond dated 30th. Septr. 1746 from the President and Council of that Time for Pags. 4368. 26. 54 which is declared to be publick Money that had been deposited in the Corporation Cash Chest, desiring our Directions to whom they are to deliver the same.

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ORDERED That the Secretary by Letter acquaint the Mayor & Aldermen with the Purport of the above recited Letter and for their further Information enclose a Copy of the 88th. Paragraph of our Honble Masters Commands dated 24th. Janry. 1753. in Relation to the said Bond, and desire their Answer in Writing.

The Secretary to write to the Mayor & Aldermen & To send them a Copy of the Company's Order & desire their answer.

Letter from Mr. John Brohier read as entered hereafter, containing the Report of the Condition of the sorting Godown together with an Estimate of the Repair necessary to be made and the Expence attending it, amounting to One thousand and Nine Pagodas, thirteen fanams and twenty Cash (1009. 13. 20) The said Repairs appearing to be absolutely necessary, ORDER'D that they be sett about as soon as possible.

Estimate of the Repairs of the sorting Godown read.

Order'd to be repaired.

The Secretary lays before the Board as entered hereafter a Letter from Mr. John Pybus to Mr. Charles Bourchier (late Secretary) in Relation to the Money found amongst the late Captn. Chace's Effects and supposed to be Part of what was deposited in his Hands on the Companys Account for the use expressed & explained in Consultation the 22d. Ult°. setting forth that he cannot find any Memorandum or Entry whereby it appears the said Money is the Property of the Company and that he cannot answer Paying the same without sufficient Vouchers and an Indemnification, in which Case he has directed Mr. Henry Vansittart to discharge the same Mr. Wynch, Commissary is desired to make further Enquiry and Collect what Proofs he can of this Affair, and report to the Board.

Letter from Mr. Pybus in Relation to Money found with Captn. Chase's Effects said to belong to the Company.

The Commissary to enquire & Report

The Export Warehousekeeper represents to the Board that there is yet remaining a Parcell of Redwood provided by the Contractors in the Year 1750, which is so extreamly bad that he is of Opinion it ought not to be received, ORDER'D that it be rejected and that the Contractors deliver in the like Quantity of Good wood or immediately pay in the Ballance of their account.

a Parcel of bad Redwood to be rejected.

The Colchester having been obliged on account of the Damage she received in the last Novem storm to put her Cargo on shore at Fort St. David, which was reshipp'd and brought hither; On landing the same, There appeared a

Deficiency's p Colchester several Orders thereon.

	Candy	md.	℔ qr.	lb.
Defficiency at Fort St. David of One Bale of Piece Goods, and here of	80.	3.		3
of Salt Petre and	39.	10.		23

Redwood In Regard to the Bale, Captain Mainwaring has alledged that it was never received on board here, on the other hand the Export Warehouse keeper declares it appears to have been duely delivered in the same Manner as the other Bales. As to the Salt Petre it is imagined the Deficiency may arise from a Mistake at Fort St. David in not deducting the Tare of the Bags which amounts to as much as what appears to be wanting in the Salt Petre AGREED that the Gentlemen at Fort St. David be desired to send us the exact Weight of the Salt Petre and Tare of the Baggs and if there shall appear any real Deficiency, that it be represented to our Honble Masters in order to their recovering the same of the Owners of the Colchester as well as what is wanting of the Redwood and the Bale in Dispute, unless Captain Mainwaring can prove his assertion, in which Case the Export Warehousekeeper is to make good the same to the Company.

The Import Warehousekeeper acquaints the Board that five Chests of assay utensils and one Case marked Glass were landed here from the ship Drake anno. 1752. That the first are not invoiced but are inserted in the Bill of Loading, and the Case of Glass neither mentioned in the Invoice nor Bill of Loading AGREED That it be mentioned in the next General Advices to our Honble Masters.

The Company to be advised of Sundries received last year from Europe & not invoiced.

It having been agreed in Consultation the 30th. April That the Broad Cloth damaged in the last November storm and rejected by the Buyers should be sold at Outcry for the Company's Account RESOLVED That it be put up on

Damaged Broad Cloth to be sold the 21st.

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Wednesday the 21st. Instant and as an Encouragement to Persons to bid Wednesday the 21st. Instant and as an Encouragement to Persons to bid ORDERED That Notice be given at the Sea Gate that the Cloth will be delivered to the Buyers (being responsible Persons) for one Months Trust.

Investment at Deve-Cotah considered.

The Settlement of DeveCotah having hitherto served only as a Magazine for Military stores from whence they may be with Conveniency conveyed into the Tanjore and Tritchenopoly Country's in which it has indeed been very serviceable, and the more so as it is not improbable but that Place had it not been in our Possession would have fallen into the Hands of the French who would have then had it in Power with greater Facility to cut off our Communication, It is now moved that a Tryal be made whether an Investment cannot be provided there on advantagious Terms and the same being considered, it is offered as a great Objection that it's Vicinity to Fort St. David will interfere with their Investment which must decrease in Proportion to the Quantity of Goods provided at DeveCotah as the greatest Part of the Cloth that can be provided at the latter Place must be manufactured at Scially from whence St. David is now supplied, It is urged indeed that Scially being farther distant from St. David than DeveCotah, the Cloth may be had at the latter Place cheaper than at the former because the Merchants being at a considerable less Expence for Carriage may well afford to abate the difference but it is doubtfull whether this Abatement will be sufficient to answer even the additional Expence of Conicoplys Packers &ca. servants that must necessarily arise if an Investment be made at DeveCotah, however That no means may be left untried to promote this material Branch of the Company's affairs where the least Prospect of success presents itself. It is AGREED that the Gentlemen at Fort St. David be desired to give us their impartial Opinions of the Advantages and Disadvantages that may attend the making an Investment at DeveCotah and that Mr. Charles Hopkins the Chief there be directed to inform himself thoroughly of what Cloth can be provided and the particular Places where, that he procure Musters of the several sortments and transmitt them to us with the lowest Prices they can be procured at, and give us his Opinion upon the whole how far he may be able to succeed in such an undertaking, that he be cautioned at the same time not to suffer too warm a Desire of success to biass his Judgment but that his Enquirys be impartial and accurate.

Fort St. David and DeveCotah to be wrote to about it.

A Pension of 15 Pags. a Month allowed Clemente Poverio.

The Petition of Clemente Poverio (enclosed to us from Fort St. David and entered after the General Letter from thence dated 16th October. N. 179), being considered setting forth his services and the Misfortune of losing his Leg in a late action near Tritchenopoly and praying an allowance for his subsistance, and Major Lawrences Certificate (also entered after the said Letter) being likewise read, The Board are of Opinion that as the Petitioner has always behaved like a gallant Officer and gave a great Instance of his Fidelity in resisting a large Bribe * offered him by the Mysore Dalloway to betray the Fort of Tritchenopoly, he should have a subsistance suitable to his Rank as a Captain having had a Commission to command a Company of Topasses, AGREED therefore that he be allowed Fifteen Pagodas a Month untill our Honble Master's Pleasure be known.

* Vide Captn. Dalton's advices from Tritchenopoly as abstracted in Extra Occurences 20th. & 27th. July 1752.

The Company's Merchants to be allowed 2 Peons a piece.

The Number of Peons employed here having been thought too large, and thereupon ordered in Consultation the 16th. July to be reduced by one hundred in order whereto it was found necessary to strike off those allowed the Companys Merchants, who have since made Application to be indulged with them as formerly it being a Mark of Distinction, AGREED that they be allowed two apiece, as the Expence is not large, and it is necessary at this Time to gratify them in things of little moment.

Conveyances of houses to be paid by the sellers.

Some Disputes having at different times arisen in Relation to the Paying for Conveyances of Houses &ca. sold, To prevent the like in future, ORDER'D that the sellers pay for the same unless the Parties shall have made any particular settlement to the Contrary.

—— *FORT ST. GEORGE, NOVEMBER 1753* ——

The President reads the Cash account for last Month Ballance remaining compared with the Chest twenty six Thousand Eight hundred and fifty Eight Pagodas, eighteen fanams and sixty Eight Cash (26858. 16. 58) [*sic*] and five hundred and twenty (520) Madrass Pagodas which is carried forward. Cash accot. read.

The Treasury accounts for last Month are also read, The several Ballances being compared and found right are Arcot Rupees One Million two hundred & Ninety one thousand, One hundred and sixty Nine, thirteen Anaes and seven Pice (1291169. 13. 7) and Eight thousand three hundred and twenty (8320) Madrass Rupees which are carried forward. Treasury accott. read.

AGREED that ten thousand (10,000) Pagodas be advanced Tellesinga Chittee Linga Chittee &c^{a}. Merchants for the Provision of Fine Goods. Advance to Tellisinga Chittee &c^{a}. for fine Goods.

AND that ten thousand (10,000) Pagodas be advanced Tellisinga Chittee and Nella mootu Chittee on account of the Company's other Investment. Advance to D^{o}. for the Investment.

Henry Powney Import Warehousek^{r}. pays in Twenty thousand (20,000) Pagodas for Rupees sold. Money paid in for Rupees sold.

THO^{s}: SAUNDERS.
CHA^{s}: BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
A^{r}: WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CH^{s}: BOURCHIER.

FORT ST. GEORGE, OCTOBER, 1753

Dr.	The Honble United Companys Cash				Contra				Cr.
1.	To Ballance brought from last Months Account Pags. ..	25956	32	1	1. By John Smith Military Paymaster advanced him to pay the Military	4540	19	37	
	To Henry Powney Import Warehousekeeper received of him on accott. of Rups. sold ..	1621	22	30	By Charles Boddam Paymaster advanced him to defray the Expences of that Employ ..	4770	9	59	
8	To Charles Bourchier Rental General & Scavinger received of him on accott. of Quit rents	1000	—	—	By Alexr. Wynch Commissary advanced him to defray the Charges of the Troops abroad.	2810	29	15	
	To Bills of Exchange received for one sett of this Date drawn on the Court of Directors at their stated Exchange & payable at 90 days sight to the Reverend Mr. John St. Paul or Order for Value received here of Mr. Henry Vansittart on accott. of Mr. Peter St. Paul £ 40	104	12	41	8. By Chas. Bourchier Military Storekeeper advanced him for the Disbursements of that Employ	650	—	—	
—	To Henry Powney Import Warehousekeeper reced of him on his Running accott. ..	3000	—	—	By John Smith Military Paymaster advanced him to pay the Military & other Charges of that employ	1000	—	—	
15	To Gruapah Farmer of Egmore &ca. Villages recd 1 years Rent due 1st. Ulto.	1450	—	—	By the Estate of Captn. John Byers deceased paid Mr. William Perceval Administrator as ℔ Consultation of the 1st. Instant the amount of the Produce of the deceased's Effects deposited in Cash at Fort St. David the 31st. May 1750 being	1690	15	—	
—	To Henry Powney Sea Customer recd of him on his running account for last Month ..	1500	—	—	15. By Alexr. Wynch Commissary advanced him to defray the Charges of the Troops abroad.	8491	32	8	
—	To Henry Powney Import Warehousekeeper recd of him on accot. of Rups. sold ..	1891	32	8	By Fort St. David paid the following Bills of Exchange drawn on us by the Deputy Govr. & Council for money paid into the Honble Company's Cash there Vizt.				
—	To Henry Powney Import Wareho. kr. receiv'd of him on his running accott.	30000	—	—	1 dated 18th. Augt, in favour of Captn Schaub for Pags. . .. .. 1000 — —				
	To Account Curt. London received of the following Persons for Permission of Passage to England on the Delawar Vizt:				1 do. 3 Octr. do. the Honble Thos. Saunders Esqr. for .. .. .. 351 — —				
	of Mrs. Rebecca Casamajor. £. 12 or Pags. 30 — —				2 setts amounting to	1351	—	—	
	of Captn. Rodolph de Gingins 12 30 — —				By account Current London advanced Captn. Thos. Winter of ship Delawar for the purchasing Provisions & other Necessaries for the use of the said ship on the Terms of her Charter Party	2000	—	—	
	Captn. Ja. Clarke. 12 30 — —								
		90	—	—					
	Carried Over ..	66614	27	—	Carried Over ..	27304	33	39	

THE HONBLE UNITED COMPANYS CASH—*cont.*

Dr.

				Brought Over ..			66614	27 11
15	To Bills of Exchange received for the following Setts of this date drawn on the Court of Directors at 90 days sight and their stated Exch^{a}. payable as follows.							
	Setts.				Pags.	F.	C.	
	1.	To Mrs. Eleanor Powney or Order value of Henry Powney Esq^{r}. ..	£. 1000	s. —	D. —	2608	25	3
	1.	To Henry & Ann Churchill or Order value of Henry Powney Esq^{r}. ..	478	14	8	1238	16	—
	1.	To Francis Magnus or Order value of Henry Vansittart on accott. of John Pybus ..	200	—	—	521	26	48
	1.	To Mary Wilson or Order value of Alex^{r}. Wynch & Cha^{s}. Bourchier on accott. of Foss Westcott ..	100	—	—	260	31	24
	4	Setts amounting to £	1778	14	8	or		4629 26 75
						Carried Over ..		71244 17 75

CONTRA—*cont.*

Cr.

	Brought Over ..	27304	33	39
23.	By Alexander Wynch Commissary advanced him to discharge the amount of a sett of Bills of Exchange drawn on Boocunjee's House at Tanjore for the use of the Army ..	10000	—	—
31.	By Fort St. David sent thither by ship Prince George	30000	—	—
	By Charles Bourchier Military storekeeper advanced him for the Charges of that Employ	550	—	—
		67854	33	39
	By Ballance carried to the next Months account	26858	18	68
	Carried Over ..	94713	16	27

Dr. The Honble United Companys Cash—*cont.*						Contra—*cont.*	Cr.		
	Brought Over ..			71244	17	75	Brought Over ..	94713	16	27
5	To account Current London receed of Captn. John Erohier One of the Executors of the Estate of Lieutt. John Wood deceased, on accott. of the said Estate & for which three Certificates of this date are given him ..			1127	32	8				
...]	To Confiscated Houses received three Months Rent of the following due the 30th. Ulto.									
	One in Choultry Gate street inhabited by Dr. Munro. .. Pags.	30	— —							
	One in Do. Do. Do. inhabited by Coja Miguel Gregorio	30	— —							
	One in Charles street inhabited by Mr. Levy Moses	30	— —							
				90	—	—				
	To Pitloor Vencata Kistnah & Kellavah Chittee Beetle & Tobacco Farmers received two months Rent due the 1st. Ulto.			1333	12	—				
	To Pitloor Vencata Kistnah & Kellavah Chittee Farmers of the arrack & Wine License receed two Months Rent due the 1st. Ulto.			666	24	—				
	To Henry Powney Sea Customer received of him further on his Running account for last Month			1000	—	—				
	To Bills of Exchange received for the following setts of this Date drawn on the Court of Directors at 90 days sight & their stated Exchange payable as follows.									
	1 sett To Captn. Thos. Stevens or order value of Andrew Munro ..	sh. d. £ 245 14 4	Pags. f. c. 641 — —							
	Carried Over ..		641 — —	75462	14	3	Carried Over ..	94713	16	27

Dr. THE HONBLE COMPANYS CASH—*cont*

	Brought Over ..	641	—	—	75462	14 3
1	To Cornelius Goodwin or Order value of Henry Powney Esqr. ..	76 19 6	200	29 10		
2	setts amounting to ..	£ 322 13 10	or		841	29 10

To account Current London, received for three setts of Certificates to the Court of Directors of this date for the following sums vizt.

set					
1	On account the Estate of Lieutt Jas. Trusler ..	2502	8	48	
1	On account the Estate of Ensign Samuel Melotte	258	14	73	
1	On account the Estate of Mr. Jas. Robinson ..	86	2	—	
3	setts value of Captn. Edmund Maskelyne amounting to				2846 25 41

To the Estate of Samuel Tatem deceas'd recd of the Paymr. & Secretary as ℔ Consultation of this Date 1052 12 24

To the Estate of John Trenwith deceased received of the Paymr. & Secry. do. .. 177 33 52

To the Estate of Joseph Edward Cooper deceased received of Do. Do. ℔ Do. .. 1026 29 50

To the Estate of William Lefevre deceased received of Do. Do. ℔ Do. 1572 33 40

To Numboor Soubiah, Linga Chittee &ca. Renters of the Poonamalee Country received of them in full of the Rent due from them on the late Cowle Ending the 1st. of July 1752 .. .. 83 12 —

Carried Over .. 83064 9 60

CONTRA—*cont* Cr.

Brought Over ..	94713	16	27	

Carried Over .. 94713 16 27

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Dr. THE HONBLE UNITED COMPANYS CASH—*cont*

	Brought Over ..	83064	9	60
[..]o	To the Estate of Captn. Peter Love deceased received of Mr. Robert Palk	253	9	—
	To Henry Powney Sea Customer received of him in part of the Ballance of that account for last Month	1000	—	—
	To John Smith Land Customer received of him the Ballance of that account for last Month	395	33	47
	To Henry Powney Import Warehousekr. received of him on account of Rupees sold ..	10000	—	—
	STAR OR CURT: PAGODS. ..	94713	16	27

CONTRA—*cont* Cr.

	Brought Over ..	94713	16	27
	STAR OR CURT: PAGODAS: ..	94713	16	27

Dr. MADRASS PAGODAS. Cr.

Octobr. 1	To Ballance brought from last Months. account	520	—	—	31st.	By Ballance carried to next Months Account ..	520	—	—

ERRORS EXCEPTED
℘ THOMAS SAUNDERS.

— *FORT ST. GEORGE, NOVEMBER 1753* —

To the Honble Thos. Saunders Esqr.

Presidt. & Govr. &ca. Council of Fort St: George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Having received your Order for surveying the sorting Cloth Godown and reporting it's Condition with an Estimate of the Charge of the Repairs wanted to it, I now take the Liberty to do it & to annex the Estimate herewith.

The Apartments occupied by Chas. Boddam Esqr. having (when first built) been plaistered with Mortar mixt with brakish Water, the Plaistering peels off and will not retain any white Washing on it, so that it will require to be entirely taken down, the Joints of the Bricks well pitched & new plaistered with coarse Chunam & a coat of fine Chunam without Panel Work over it, and this Method, I conceive will be the most frugal as it will not be subject to Repairs.

The present stair Case of those Apartments being extremely ill contrived takes up a good Godown and one Room above stairs which may be saved by building the stair Case in the Yard and as the Timber & Plank of the present stair Case will be sufficient for this Alteration, I conceive the Expence of it will not be disproportionable to the Benefit the Building will receive by it.

A Bale Godown to the Westward will require an entire new Tarrass, the Joists being of Country Wood covered with Palmiera's are decayed by the Weather & white Ants.

Notwithstanding the Terrasses in General of that Building have been often repaired, They are still leaky in several Places, as the new Plaistering will not cement with the old Work, and Care not having been taken heretofore of Mixing the Mortar with fresh water, All the Plaistering of these Terrasses and of all the Parapets of the Building will require to be taken up and a new Coat laid over them. The Damps which appear on the Walls within the Godowns proceeding from the Badness of the Parapets which admit of the Rains soaking down into them.

The Pavement of the south Yard being in a very bad Condition will require to be new laid as well as the Pavement of the street.

Several trifling Repairs of Carpenters & Smiths work to Locks, Hinges, sorting Tables, Doors, Windows &ca. will be also necessary to be done, All which when compleated will, I conceive put this Building in such Condition as not to want any Repairs for some time.

I am mostly respectfully

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most Humble & most Obedient Servant

J. Brohier.

Fort St: George
the 5th. Novr. 1753.

—— *FORT ST. GEORGE, NOVEMBER 1753* ——

ESTIMATE for the Repairs wanted at the sorting Godown by Order of the Honble President & Council the 30th. October 1753.

New Plaistering five Appartments occupied by Chas. Boddam Esqr. containing 5208 foot superfl. will require the following Materials.

Stone Chunam	Parahs.	326	25	3	20	
Shell Do.		140	7	28	—	
Ballapom	Maund	3½	2	12	—	
Cotch & Carokoy	Do.	4	3	12	—	
Ghee Fire & Eggs			10	—	—	
Jaggree	Maund	1	—	22	—	
Brick layers		750	45	20	—	
Cooley Men 230 / Do. Women 1300		1530	45	—	—	
Cloth			6	—	—	
Potts, Pans, Brushes and Ropes			3	—	—	
Oxen hire to bring sand			4	—	—	
Palmieras for scaffoldings		50	6	—	—	
Planks		40	6	—	—	
Oil			2	—	—	
						166 25 20

Building a New stair Case and a Viranda over the upper Angle.

14 Joists Timbers at 1 Pagoda each			14	—	—	
To a Bresimore in the Front 10 Inches by 8			6	—	—	
To sheathing Boards			8	—	—	
To 200 Palmieras to bed the steps upon			20	—	—	
To Carpenters Work & Nails			8	—	—	
Wall Bricks		34400	23	—	—	
Tarrass Do.		4200	2	3	40	
Paving Do.		540	1	—	—	
Stone Chunam	Parah	500	39	19	40	
Shell Do.		160	8	32	—	
Oxen hire to bring Bricks			8	—	—	
Jaggree	lb.	40	1	—	—	
Ballapom, Ghee & Eggs			2	—	—	
Bricklayers		476	26	16	—	
Cooleys		320	8	32	—	
Oxen hire to bring sand			3	—	—	
Potts Pans, Lines & Ropes			2	—	—	
						181 31 —

A New Tarrass required over a Bale Godown to the Westward and likewise over the Screw Yard both being 1584 Foot which will require.

Tarrass Bricks		38016	15	9	—	
Oxen hire on Do.			4	24	—	
Stone Chunam	Parahs.	426	32	33	—	
Shell Ditto		80	4	16	—	
Bricklayers		320	22	28	—	
Cooleys		700	22	—	—	
Oxen hire for sand			4	—	—	
Jaggree	Maund	8½	4	11	—	
Cotch & Karokoy	Do.	4	3	11	—	
Potts Pans Ropes & Chunam sticks			3	—	—	
Ghee Fire & Eggs			2	—	—	
						118 24 —

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To Laying a new Coat of Plaistering over all the Remainder of the Tarrasses of the Building the Parapets measuring 21632 foot superfl.

Stone Chunam	Parah	1620	124	18	—	
Shell Ditto		300	16	24	—	
Cotch and Carokoy	Maund	16	13	12	—	
Jaggree	Candy	1½	15	—	—	
Brushes Brooms & Ropes			3	—	—	
chunam sticks		100	3	17	—	
Potts & Pans			3	—	—	
Oxen hire for Sand			12	—	—	
Gingerly [*sic*] Oil	Measures	20	4	6	—	
Brick layers		2160	130	—	—	
Cooleys		3000	83	12	—	
Ghee	Maunds	4	9	—	—	
Fire & Eggs			3	—	—	
					420	17 —

To Paving required in the street 3384 Foot.

Paving Bricks 8 Inches square		9500	19	—	—	
Oxen hire on Ditto			5	29	—	
D°. for Clay			4	—	—	
Stone Chunam	Parahs	60	5	—	—	
Jaggree	lb.	30	—	27	40	
Bricklayers		70	3	32	—	
Cooley hire			4	—	—	
					42	16 40

To Paving the southwardmost Yard being 1972 feet.

Paving Bricks of 8 Inches square		6200	12	18	—	
Oxen hire on Ditto			3	29	40	
D°. for Sand & Clay			6	—	—	
Stone Chunam	Parah	60	5	—	—	
Jaggree	lb.	30	—	27	40	
Bricklayers		60	3	12	—	
Cooleys			3	12	—	
					34	27 —

CARPENTERS WORK.

To the Timber Work of the Tarrass of the Bale Godown to the Westward.

20 Timbers 18 foot long at Pags. 4 ea.	80	—		
648 foot of Plank or 120 Boards	36	3	40	
Workmanship	8	12	—	
Nails 60 lb. at fans. 2℔ lb	3	12	—	
			127	27 40

The Tarrass over the Screw Godown the Joists to be strengthened.

150 Foot of 2 Inch Plank at 6 fans. ℔ foot	25	8	—	
222 Foot of Sheathing Plank or 30 Boards	15	—	—	
Workmanship	5	—	—	
Nails 60 lb. at fans. 2 ℔ lb.	3	12	—	
Other Repairs attending	50	—	—	
			98	20 —

Total Pagods. .. 1191 8 20

J. BROHIER.

—— *FORT ST. GEORGE, NOVEMBER 1753* ——

To the Honble Thomas Saunders Esqr.

Presidt. & Govr. &ca. Council of Fort St: George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Mr. Joseph Fowke who was Mayor of Madrass in the Year 1746, left in our hands a Bond dated the 30th. September 1746 from the President & Council of that time to the then Mayor & Aldermen for Ps. 4368. 26. 54 which is declared to be publick Money that had been deposited in the Corporation Cash Chest. Copy of the Bond is annexed for your Honour &ca's. further satisfaction.

As We are strangers to the nature of the new Charter, and whether the present Mayors Court succeeds of Course to all the Rights of the former or is to be consider'd as a new & distinct Institution, we are at a Loss to know to whom We are to deliver over this Bond & have therefore taken the Liberty to apply for Directions in the Case to Your Honour &ca. We are with the greatest Respect

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient & most humble servants

Walsh & Vansittart

Fort St: George
31st. October 1753.

To Charles Bourchier Esqr.
Secretary.

Sir

I have received your Letters relating to Money supposed to be due from the late Captain James Chase to the Honble Company, but as I cannot find any memorandum of that kind amongst his Papers, It is not in my Power to pay any sum on account the Estate without some Indemnification for so doing & very sufficient Vouchers for the Justness of the Demand in which Case I have directed my attorney Mr. Henry Vansittart to discharge the same.

I am
Sir
Your very Obedt. servant
John Pybus.

Fort St. George
1st. Novemr. 1753.

FORT ST. GEORGE, OCTOBER 1753.

Treasury Accounts.

Dr.	Arcot			Rupees			Cr.
October 1 To balance brought from last month ..	1246864	4	7	Octobr. 1st. By Import Warehousekeeper deliver'd him for sale	6000	—	—
6 To Bombay Presidency received the amount of their Bill on Aridata Namudoss	51562	8	—	15 By Do. Do.	7000	—	—
17 To Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mintmaster receed of him	105651	1	—	31 By Fort St. David sent ℔ ship Prince George	100000	—	—
— To Do. for an Omission in last Years Journal	92	—	—	By Ballance	1291169	13	7
	1404169	13	7		1404169	13	7

Errors Excepted
℔ Thomas Saunders.
Charles Boddam.
Henry Powney.

Dr.	Madrass			Rupees			Cr.
Octobr. 1st. To Ballance brought forward	8320	—	—	Octobr. 31. By Ballance	8320	—	—

Errors Excepted
℔ Thomas Saunders.
Charles Boddam.
Henry Powney.

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7 Sent by Peons General Letters to Vizagapatam, Ingeram, Madapallam } all dated this day.

Receed. by Tappies Genl. Letter from Fort St. David, dated 5th. inst.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY THE 12TH.

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVR. PRESIDT.
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXR: WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.
CHAS: BOUCHIER.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of last Consultation dated the 5th. Instt. read and signed.

Genl. Letter from Fort St. David read.

General Letter from Fort St. David N. 190 dated the 5th. Instant, read, advising the arrival there of the Prince George that they had landed the sundries consign'd them and that she was to proceed that day on her voyage to Fort Marlbro. That the sloop Dragon being on her Return from DeveCotah, they propose as soon as she arrives to return her thither with a full Loading, that Captns. Sanderson & Grant & Mr. Brickenden will take Passage on her, and that they will forward by the same Conveyance the Box of Sundries for Presents to Major Lawrence, That Lieut. Revell informs them he can supply himself with Plank for the Platforms by getting a Quantity of Timber sawed so that two hundred of what they indented for will be sufficient, but the whole will be acceptable if already provided. That they have 86½ Bales on hand & a Quantity in the Warehouse, which, on account of the bad weather, is not yet sorted. Enclosing their Consultation and monthly Papers for September.

The Merchants desire an advance on the last years Contract for fine Goods.

The President acquaints the Board that Linga Chitty &ca. Merchants who undertook the Provision of fine Goods last year, not having deliver'd in the Quantity contracted for, have now applied to be advanc'd a sum sufficient to enable them to procure the whole, promising in that Case to be punctual. The Board are of Opinion that as they did not fulfill their Contract last year which was more advantagious to them than that made the present season they are not entitled to any further advances on that account and accordingly it is

Refused.

AGREED that nothing more be advanced them on that Contract.

Fort St. David to be wrote to.

AGREED that the Gentlemen at Fort St. David be directed in future in the Returns of their Garrison to insert the Number of invalids, and that they send us up the Rolls of the Prisoners at Pondicherry as we suppose they have not paid any Money on their account without regular Lists, many of those carried thither from Trivady having been prevailed on as we are informed to enter into the French Service.

Draughts of Genl. Letters to Fort St. David & DeveCotah approved.

Draughts of General Letters to Fort St. David and DeveCotah agreeable to a Resolution of last & this Consultation are now read & approved.

All Plans and Draughts to be deposited in a Chest in the Consultation Room.

The Board judging it proper that all Plans or Draughts of the Company's Settlements, Fortifications, Buildings, &ca. should be kept in a secure Place ORDER'D that a proper Chest be made, to stand in the Consultation Room, for that Purpose and that they be deliver'd out to Mr. Brohier as Occasion may require.

—— *FORT ST. GEORGE, NOVEMBER 1753* ——

AGREED that Ten thousand (10,000) Pagodas be advanced Gundaveddy Vencata Ramah Ramah & Nella Chittee on account of the Company's Investment. Advance on accot. the Investment.

Henry Powney Import Warehousekeeper pays in Ten thousand (10,000) Pagodas for Rupees sold. Money paid in for Rupees sold.

Pitloor Vencata Kistnah & Kellavah Chittee Farmers of the measuring Duty pay in Five hundred (500) Pagodas for six months on that Cowle due 1st. September last. Six months Rent of the measuring Duty paid in.

Pitloor Vencata Kistnah & Kellavah Chittee Farmers of the Town Brokerage pay in Three hundred & fifty (350) Pagodas for six Months Rent on that Cowle due the 1st. September last. Six months Rent of the Town Brokerage paid in.

THOS: SAUNDERS.
CHAS. BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR: WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CHS: BOURCHIER.

Sent by Tappies Genl. Letters to Fort St. David & DeveCotah dated this day. 12

Received by Tappies Genl. Letter from Fort St. David dated the 8th. Instant. 14

Sent Letter from the Secretary to the Deputy Governour & Council of Fort St. David dated this Day enclosing Invoice of seven Rafts of Plank being part of what they indented for. 15

Received by Tappies Genl. Letter from Fort St. David dated the 13th. Instant. 17

Do. Do. DeveCotah dated the 7th. Instant.

Receiv'd by Pattamar Genl. Letter from Madapollam dated 4th. Novr. 18

Do. Do. Do. from Ingeram dated 27th. Octor. 19

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVR. PRESIDT. — MONDAY THE 19TH.
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXANDER WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.
CHAS: BOURCHIER.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of last Consultation dated the 12th. Instant read & signed.

General Letters Read Vizt.

N. 191 and N. 192 from the Deputy Govr. and Council of Fort St. David, the first dated the 8th. Instant expressing their Concern that we should disapprove of their taking in Pauparauze Linga Chittee's agent as a Company's Merchant, to which they were induced by a like Example in May 1752 and because they could have but little Dependance in any of the other Merchants except Irshippa Chittee, however they promise never to do so in future and as far as the 5000 Pagodas advanc'd this man they take upon themselves to be answerable to our Honble Masters and shall follow our Directions should We think proper to have his Name struck off the List of Merchants. That they Genl. Letters from Fort St. David read.

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have acquainted us of the steps they have taken to reduce their Merchants Ballances which have proved ineffectual and will continue so if Cawn Moodelaire, Govinda Chittee and Tonevaroy Pilla are not treated with Rigour who still trifle, but bring in no Cloth, desiring We will direct them how to act in this Case. That the Deputy Govr. assures them he has frequently proposed to the Merchants to bring their Cloth from the Southward by Land to DeveCotah and from thence by Water to St. David but they were not to be prevailed on. That they will advance no more money to the Salem merchants who alledge as the Reason for their Cloth not being come in that the Dalloway has prohibited the Exportation of Cloth to the English. That Mr. Drake has frequently but ineffectually applied to Captn. Schaub for his Muster Rolls and they have order'd their Secretary to write him on that head. That their Secretary's & Accountant's Business has not been carried on so regularly as it ought to be for want of proper assistants. That the Washers have been called before the Board & say they have been regularly paid & have no Casue of Complaint That the Nabob's accott. will shortly be compleated. That they will, as we direct, supply Mr. Cooke, That the Dragon is constantly employed in carrying stores to DeveCotah Requesting a supply of fifty Pieces of Wax Cloth for Camp. The other dated the 13th. Instant enclosing the Nabob's account from Primo May 1752 to Ulto. September 1753, and promising in future to send it us up regularly every month.

Genl. Letter from DeveCotah read.

N. 193 from Mr. Charles Hopkins Chief of DeveCotah dated the 7th. Instant, acknowledging the Receipt of our Letter of the 2d. Inst. and acquainting us that Mr. Dawson had deliver'd him an account Remains of stores which they have signed interchangeably. Enclosing the Monthly accounts for October & promising shortly to forward the Genl. Books Ballanced to Ulto. April last.

Genl. Letter from Bandarmlka. read.

N. 194 from Mr. John Andrews at Bandarmalanka dated 4th. Novr. Enclosing the accounts of that settlement for the Month of October.

Genl. Letter from Ingeram read.

N. 195 from Mr. Foss Westcott Resident at Ingeram dated the 27th. Ultimo acquainting us that the Troubles in the Country daily encrease, That the Moors lately burnt a large Town entirely inhabited by Weavers and the Merchants apprehend several more will shortly undergo the same Fate, in short that both Parties plunder & raise Contributions which must entirely ruin the Country. That the Rajah Viziram Rauze has lately been joined by Naranda a northern Rajah with 20,000 Men which it is hoped, may be a means of accommodating Affairs.

Captn. Gaupp desires to be paid the amount of some cloathing for his Company seized & carried into Pondicherry.

Letter from Mr. Robert Palk read as enter'd hereafter representing on Captn. Gaupp's Behalf that when the Detachment was last year seized in Pondicherry Road, The Cloathing for the Detachment of his Company at St. David was at the same time carried in there amounting to one hundred Pagodas & desiring to be reimbursed that sum.

The Particulars to be laid before the Board.

ORDER'D that the Secretary acquaint Mr. Palk it is necessary the Particulars of what Cloathing was actually lost with the prime Cost thereof be laid before the Board previous to their making any Order on the Matter requested.

Letter from the Register of the Mayors Court.

Letter from Mr. Daniel Morse Register of the Mayors Court read as enter'd hereafter in answer to one wrote by the Secretary to the Mayor & Aldermen agreeable to Order of Consultation the 5th. Instant, acquainting us that they have empowered Mr. James Alexander to receive the amount of the Bond dated 30th. Septemr. 1746. given by Nicholas Morse Esqr. late Govr. &ca. Council of Fort St. George to Joseph Fowke then Mayor &ca. Aldermen of Madrasspatnam for the Purposes mentioned in the said Consultation and that upon Receipt thereof they have order'd him to pay the same back into the

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Honble Company's Treasury in the Name of the Accountant General to remain under that head until such Persons as may be justly entitled to the same make good their Claims.

Payment of a Bond due to the late Mayors Court demanded. To be paid & receiv'd back into Cash in the Name of the Accountant General.

AND the said Bond being now tender'd for Payment and the Power above-mentioned under the seal of the Mayors Court to Mr. James Alexander being also produced, ORDER'D that the said Bond be discharged, and that the amount thereof being four thousand three hundred & sixty Eight Pagodas, twenty six fanams & fifty four Cash (4368. 26. 54) be received back into the Company's Cash & placed to the account of Mr. Claud Russell the Accountant Geenral of the Mayor's Court accordingly.

Estimate of the charge of repairing the wells in the Black Town produced. The Rental Genl. & Scavenger to make a List of assessments on the Black Inhabitants & report.

Mr. Charles Bourchier Rental General & Scavenger lays before the Board an Estimate of the Charge of repairing the wells in and about the black Town which are become extreamly dangerous in the Night time for Want of proper Breast Works, The whole amounting to about Ninety six Pagodas, ORDER'D that an assessment be made on the Inhabitants of the Black Town for that Purpose, That Mr. Bourchier prepare a List accordingly and lay the same before the Board.

Interest for 1 year on Padre Severinis Bond for A. Rs. 30,000 to be paid.

The Secretary acquaints the Board that a years Interest will become due tomorrow on the Bond granted to Padre Severini & Mrs. Medeiros dated 20th. Novr. 1752. for thirty thousand Rupees deposited in the Company's Cash at 6 ℔ ct. as a Fund for perpetuating the Memory of Lewis Medeiros deceased. ORDER'D that the said Interest be paid accordingly.

Padre Severini applys for Paymt. of a Bond due to Peter Balleu deceased. Order thereon.

The Reverend Padre Severini having applied for Payment of a Bond granted by Mr. Morse &ca. late Council of Madrass to Mr. Peter Balleu & representing at the same time that the said Balleu is lately deceas'd having by his Will appointed Mr. Dupleix & others Executors thereof, ORDERED that the Secretary acquaint the said Padre Severini that in order to his receiving the same it is necessary he should produce an authentick Extract of that part of the deceas'd's will where he appoints Executors and that those Executors should by Letter of attorney authorize him to give a proper Discharge.

Sea Customer pays in money in part of his Ballance.

Henry Powney Sea Customer pays in two thousand (2000) Pagodas in part of the Ballance of that account for last Month.

THOS: SAUNDERS.
CHAS: BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR: WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CHS: BOURCHIER.

TO THE HONBLE THOS: SAUNDERS ESQR.

PRESIDT. &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST: GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I have received a Letter from Captain Gaupp in which is the following Paragraph.

" I desire you will do me the Favour to acquaint the Govr. that when " the Boats with soldiers were seiz'd last year at Pondicherry the Clothing for " the Detachment of my Company at Fort St. David, to the amount of one

" hundred Pagodas was also carried into Pondicherry. As this was an acci-
" dent out of my Power to prevent, I hope Mr. Saunders will think it reason-
" able that I shall be reimbursed.

I am with great Respect
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most humble &
most Obedient Servant
ROBT. PALK.

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19TH. NOVR. 1753.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDT. & GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST: GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

THE Worshipfull the Mayor & Aldermen having received a Letter dated 7th. Instant from Mr. Secry Du Pre' by your Order, together with an Extract of a Genl. Letter from the Honble the Court of Directors dated the 24th. Janry. 1753 relating to the Money due from the Honble Company to the Mayor's Court which subsisted before, and at the time this Place was taken in the year 1746 have directed me in answer thereto, to inform your Honour &ca. that agreeable to the Honble Company's Orders, they have under the Mayor's Court seal authorized & appointed Mr. James Alexander to receive the same and to deliver up the Bond which Money when received, they have ordered the said Mr. James Alexander immediately to pay back into the Honble Company's Treasury, in the Name of the Accountant-General, judging the same to be the Property of sundry Persons as yet to them unknown, and to remain under that Head untill such Persons as may be justly intituled to the same make good their proper Claims.

I have the honour to be with the utmost Respect

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obdt. humble Servant
DANL. MORSE.
Regr.

FORT ST: GEORGE.
NOVR. 13TH. 1753.

25 Received by Tappies Genl. Letter from Fort St. David dated 21 Instt.
26 Reced by Pattamar Genl. Letter from Ingeram dated 9th. Instt.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY THE 26TH. THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVR. PREST.
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXR: WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.
CHAS: BOURCHIER.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.
The Minutes of last Consultation dated the 19th. Instant read & sign'd.
General Letters read Vizt.

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N. 196 from the Deputy Governour & Council of Fort S^{t}. David dated the 21st. Instant acquainting us that in Consequence of our Letter of the 12th. they had discoursed with their merchants in reagrd to the making an Investment at DeveCotah but as it is an affair of Consequence they referr to their next address for their sentiments on it; That Lieu^{t}. Revell has supplied himself with as much Plank as he could get there and relies on us for the rest; That Captn. Poverio returns his Thanks for the Pension settled on him. That the Papers belonging to the late M^{r}. Byers are ready & shall be forwarded. That the Invalids shall be inserted & in their Returns required. That M^{r}. Drake has delivered in an account received from Leiut^{t}. Davis relating to 400 Pagodas advanced the latter for the use of Trivady, part of which having been lost there they cannot take upon them to pass without our Direction a Copy whereof they enclose. That some of Shaik Hussain's Effects remain under Charge of the storekeeper and as they are decaying they desire our Directions what to do with them, Enclosing an account of the Salt Petre ℔ Colchester & the Rolls of the English Prisoners at Pondicherry.

Genl. Letter from Fort St. David read.

N. 197 from Foss Westcott Esq^{r}. Resident at Ingeram dated the 9th. Instant, acquainting us that Vizeram Rauze after being joined by Naranda made an attack on the Nabobs Camp & Carried it. The Nabob narrowly escaped with his Women & a few Horse and is now at Peddapore where he is so hemm'd in by the Rajah's Forces that it will be very difficult for him to escape in his Retreat he ordered several Towns thro which he passed to be burnt & would have destroyed Mundapettah a large Town of Weavers, had not the Rajah's approach prevented him. Enclosing journal parcels and cash account for last Month.

Genl. Letter from Ingeram read.

AGREED that M^{r}. Drake's Advance of four hundred Pagodas for the use of the Garrison of Trivady as mentioned in the Letter from Fort S^{t}. David be allowed in his account as it was necessary and the Loss of that Place could not be foreseen.

Mr. Drake's advance for the use of Trivady admitted.

AGREED that twenty thousand Pagodas be remitted by Bills to Fort S^{t}. David and that as soon as the Weather is well settled, a Lack of Rupees be sent thither in Boats.

Money remitted by Bills to Fort St. David.

There being a scarcity of Pagodas & not sufficient in Cash for the Remittance to Fort S^{t}. David the President offers to lend the Company that sum for this Occasion without Interest, AGREED that it be accepted and repaid as soon as Pagodas are procurable. The President accordingly now pays in twenty thousand (20,000) Pagodas.

The President lends the Cash 20000 Pags.

The Gentlemen at Fort S^{t}. David having complained that the Accountant's & Secretary's Business is not so regularly conducted as it ought to be for Want of proper assistants AGREED that in the next Gen^{l}. Letter they be directed to appoint proper Office hours for the attendance of their writing assistants & that such of them as refuse or neglect to comply be confined to the Office under a Guard.

The writing assistants at St. David to be kept strictly to their Business.

Our Honble Masters in their Commands dated 23^{d}. Janry. 1750, having been pleased to allow a Gratuity of ten Pagodas a Month to the Military Storekeeper for the extraordinary Trouble attending that Employ, which on the Removal of the Presidency to this settlement was neglected here and continued to the Military Storekeeper at Fort S^{t}. David AGREED that it be discontinued there & allowed the military storekeeper here on whom the Burthen must in general fall altho it has in particular Instances of late been heavy at Fort S^{t}. David.

The Gratuity of 10 Pags. ℔ month to the Military storekeeper to be taken off at St. David & allowed here.

Letter from M^{r}. Andrew Ross one of the Aldermen of the Mayors Court read as entered hereafter representing, that apprehending his station and Rank by Reason of his Nomination in the Charter to be above such of the Aldermen as were appointed here he had in Consequence applied to the said Court to be admitted thereto accordingly which was refused by a Majority, wherefore he

Letter from Mr. Ross relating to his Rank as an Alderman of the Mayors Court.

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requests the Interposition of the Board that the Rank agreeable to his appointment in the Charter may be assigned him. ORDER'D that the secretary deliver to the Mayor & Aldermen for their Guidance a List of them in the Order they are named in the General advices to our Honble Masters by the Delawar which is as follows Vizt.

Rank settled.

WILLIAM PERCEVAL ESQR: *Mayor.*
MESSRS. JOHN WALSH.
SAMUEL GREENHAUGH.
GEORGE MACKAY.
ANDREW ROSS.
ANDREW MUNRO.
EDMUND EDWARDS.
RICHARD FAIRFIELD.
JOHN BROWNING.
JOHN SMITH.

Messrs. Lopez & deCastro desire Leave of Passage to Europe for Abraham Jacobs.

Granted.

Letter from Messrs. Lopez & D'Castro read as enter'd hereafter desiring Leave to send to Europe on one of the Companys ship their servant Abraham Jacobs who has misbehaved himself, which is granted on their paying the usual Permission Money.

Accott. sale damaged Broad Cloth &ca. produced.

Henry Powney Import Warehousekeeper lays before the Board (as enter'd hereafter) an account sale of damaged Broad Cloath &ca. sold at Outcry the 21st. Instant pursuant to an Order of Consultation the 5th. Instant, amounting to three thousand, Nine hundred & thirty nine Pagodas eighteen fanams, (3939. 18).

Monthly accotts. read Vizt.

Mint.

Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint master reads that account for last Month, Ballance remaining in the Mint two thousand seven hundred & Eighty Arcot Rupees ten anaes (A.Rs. 2870. 10. –) which is carried forward, One hundred & seventy two Madrass Pagodas (M.Ps. 172.) and four hundred & sixty five Current Pagodas ten fans. & ten Cash (C.Ps. 465. 10. 10) which he now pays in.

Export warehouse.

Charles Boddam Export Warehousekeeper reads that account for last Month Ballance due to him One hundred & fifty Pagodas twenty five fanams & thirty seven Cash (150. 25. 37) which is carried forward.

Paymaster.

Charles Boddam Paymaster reads that account for last month.

	Pags.		
Charges Garrison	283	23	60
Hospital Charges	220	28	27
Peons & Servants wages	402	23	—
Charges General	93	31	55
Charges Extraordinary	320	4	8
Repairs	1078	26	22
Fortifications	1028	34	70
Poonamalee & ca. Villages	29	3	76
St. Thome' & ca. Villages	27	13	65
Expedition to Negrais	41	9	—
Allowances of the Court of Requests	36	27	—
Charges Cattle	66	24	—
Charges Diet	583	12	—

Ballance due from him four thousand three hundred and thirty one Pagodas seven fanams & seventy Eight Cash (4331. 7. 78) which is carried forward.

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The Particulars of the Extraordinary Expences in the Paymasters account are entered hereafter.

Henry Powney Sea Customer reads that account for last Month Ballance due from him seven thousand Eight hundred & forty Nine Pagodas twenty five fanams & seventeen Cash (7849. 25. 17) which is carried forward. Sea Customer.

Henry Powney Import Warehousekr. reads that account for last Month Ballance due from him nine thousand four hundred & fourty five Pagodas seventeen fanams & twenty one Cash (9445. 17. 21) which is carried forward. Import Warehouse.

Alexr. Wynch Storekeeper reads that account for last Month Ballance due from him One thousand Eight hundred & six Pagodas seventeen fanams and two Cash (1806. 17. 2) of which he now pays in One thousand Pagodas (1000) in part. Storekeeper.

John Smith Land Customer reads that account for last Month Ballance due from him three hundred and Eighty two Pagodas four fanams & thirty seven Cash (382. 4. 37) which he now pays in. Land Customer.

John Smith Military Paymaster reads that account for last Month Ballance due to him three thousand Eight hundred & sixty nine Pagodas twenty seven fanams & twenty three Cash (3869. 27. 23) which is carried forward. Military Paymr.

Charles Bourchier Military Storekr. reads that account for last Month, Ballance due to him fourteen Pagodas twenty six fanams & seventy two Cash (14. 26. 72) which is carried forward. Military Storekr.

The accountant lays before the Board the Journal Parcels for the Months of August & September, also an abstract of the last months account compared with those of the former. Journal Parcels.

Mr. Brohiers accounts of Expences of Fortifications & Repairs for the months of August, September, & October are also laid before the Board. Fortifications &ca.

The Secretary lays before the Board a Bill of sale from Mrs. Medeiros duely executed & other Titles of the Garden House beyond Triplicane Bridge in the Road to St. Thome AGREED in Consultation the 28th. of August to be purchased, ORDER'D that the Purchase Money being three thousand five hundred Pagodas (3500) be paid. Titles of the Garden House produced. Purchase Money to be paid.

Henry Powney Import Warehousekr. pays in ten thousand (10000) Pagodas on his running account. Import Warehousekr. pays in on his Running account.

AGREED That the following Advances be made out of Cash Vizt. advances out of Cash Vizt.

To the Paymaster Three thousand five hundred (3500) Pagodas for sundry Disbursements. To the Paymaster.

To the Export Warehousekeeper Five hundred (500) Pagodas for the Charges of that Employ. Export Wareho.kr.

To the Military Paymaster Five thousand five hundred & forty Pagodas Nineteen fanams & thirty seven Cash (5540. 19. 37) to pay the Military. Military Paymr.

To the Military Storekeeper One thousand (1000) Pagodas for the Charges of that Employ. Military storekr.

THOS: SAUNDERS.
CHAS: BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR: WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CHS: BOURCHIER.

ACCOUNT SALE OF THE HONBLE COMPANY'S DAMAGED BROAD CLOTH &ca. AT PUBLIC OUTCRY.

The Time of Sale.	Quality of the Goods.	Lot or Quantity.	Invoice Price.	Price put up at.	Price sold at.	Amount of each Lot.	To whom sold.
November 21st. 1753.	Broad Cloth Scarlet fine.	8 pieces.	Pags. 26 14 16	Pags. 15	Pags. 22 22 40	Pags. 181 — —	Vellapah.
	Do. Scarlet.	6 do.	16 34 43	12	15 18 —	93 — —	Do.
	Do. Blue fine.	6 do.	13 29 26	15	20 — —	120 — —	Conda Chittee.
	Do. Aurora.	6 do.	16 14 58	12	16 18 —	99 — —	Coja Shaumier.
	Do. Do.	6 do.		12	15 31 40	95 9 —	Vencaty Ramah.
	Do. Do.	6 do.		12	14 31 40	89 9 —	Arnagody Chittee.
	Do. Do.	6 do.		12	14 31 40	89 9 —	Do. Do.
	Do. Do.	6 do.		12	13 31 40	83 9 —	Do. Do.
	Do. Do.	6 do.		12	15 31 40	95 9 —	Vencatachilum.
	Do. Do.	6 do.		12	15 27 —	94 18 —	Severamah Chitty.
	Do. Do.	6 do.		12	17 — —	102 — —	Arnachilum.
	Do. Do.	8 do.		12	16 22 40	133 — —	Arnagody Chittee.
	Do. Ordinary Red.	7 do.	12 10 3	8	10 18 —	73 18 —	Do. Do.
	Do. Ordinary Green.	6 do.	12 10 50	8	10 27 —	64 18 —	Vellapah.
	Do. Do.	6 do.		8	10 22 40	63 27 —	Naganah.
	Do. Do.	6 do.		8	10 27 —	64 18 —	Singanah.
	Do. Do.	6 do.		8	10 22 40	63 27 —	Naganah.
	Do. Do.	6 do.		8	11 9 —	67 18 —	Vellapah.
	Do. Do.	6 do.		8	11 18 —	69 — —	Singanah.
	Do. Do.	6 do.		8	11 22 40	69 27 —	Arnagady Chittee.
	Do. Do.	6 do.		8	10 27 —	64 18 —	Vencaty Ramah.
	Do. Do.	6 do.		8	11 31 40	71 9 —	Mootah Comrapah Chittee.
	Do. Do.	6 do.		8	12 13 40	74 9 —	Naganah.
	Do. Do.	6 do.		8	11 9 —	67 18 —	Singanah.
	Do. Do.	6 do.		8	11 22 40	69 27 —	Ramah Linga Chittee.
	Do. Do.	6 do.		8	11 18 —	69 — —	Vellapah.
	Do. Do.	6 do.		8	11 27 —	70 18 —	Cullavah Chittee.
	Do. Do.	6 do.		8	11 — —	66 — —	Do. Do.
	Do. Do.	6 do.		8	11 27 —	70 18 —	Do. Do.
					Carried over ..	2,439 4 —	

ACCOUNT SALE OF THE HON'BLE COMPANY'S DAMAGED BROAD CLOTH & CA. AT PUBLIC OUTCRY—*cont.*

The time of sale.	Quality of the Goods.	Lot or Quantity.	Invoice price.	Price put up at.	Price sold at.	Amount of each Lot.	To whom sold.
					Brought over ..	2,439 9 —	
November 21st 1753	Do. Do.	7 pieces.		Pags. 8	Pags. 10 31 40	Pags. 76 4 40	*Vencaty Lingam.*
	Do. Do.	6 do.		8	11 13 40	68 9 —	Ramah Linga Chitty.
	Do. Do.	6 do.		8	11 27 —	70 18 —	Singanah.
	Do. Do.	1 do.		8	10 4 40	10 4 40	Ramah Linga Chitty.
	Do. Yellow.	5 do.	Pags. 13 24 76	8	13 31 40	69 13 40	Naganah.
	Do. Blue.	6 do.	13 14 62	8	17 27 —	106 18 —	Arnagady Chittee.
	Do. Do.	6 do.		8	17 27 —	106 18 —	Do. Do.
	Do Do.	6 do.		8	14 18 —	87 — —	Cullava Chittee.
	Do. Do.	7 do.		8	16 22 40	116 13 40	Do. Do.
	Imboss'd Cloth.	5 do.	Pags. 23 9 —	15	20 22 40	103 4 40	Conda Chittee.
	Do.	5 do.	29 9 —	15	22 9 —	111 9 —	Gruah.
	Do.	5 do.		15	23 18 —	117 18 —	Vencaty Ramah Chittee
	Flannels Culjeed.	3 do. 2/3	15 13 40			57 — —	Conda Chittee.
	Shawls.	25 do.	2 4 40			50 9 —	Andeapah.
	Camblets Red.	2 do.	23 24 70			30 — —	Coja Shawmeer.
	Do. Do.	2 do.				36 27 —	James Calvineer.
	Do. Do.	2 do.				43 9 —	Coja Shawmeer.
	Do. Do.	2 do.				33 18 —	Yagapah.
	Do. Do.	3 do.				48 — —	Arnagady Chitty.
	Do. Blue.	2 do.	19 19 60			18 9 —	Cojah Shawmeer.
	Do. Do.	3 do.				29 — —	Serjeant Smith.
	Duroys.	10 do.	3 31 40			20 9 —	Cojah Shawmeer.
	Do.	10 do.				23 — —	Moodu.
	Shalloons Red 1 p°. Green 4 p°s.	5 do.	7 18 —			37 — —	Condah Chittee.
	Do. Yellow.	6 do.				36 13 40	Do. Do.
					Pagodas.	3939 18 —	

ERRORS EXCEPTED.

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NOVEMBER 21ST. 1753.

℔ HENRY POWNEY.
Import Warehº.kr.

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To the Honble Thomas Saunders Esq^R^.
President & Governour & the other Gentlemen
of The Council of Fort S^T^: George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

His Majesty's late Charter to the Honble East India Company, by the authority of which the Mayors Court is Re-established at this Place, appoints me, to be one of the Aldermen of that Court, but my absence when it was replaced, put it out of my Power to enter upon the Office at that time. Having therefore upon my arrival from Mocha duely qualified myself at your Desire by taking the proper Oaths, I have since applied to the Mayors Court to be admitted therein in a station & rank above such of their Aldermen as are not named in his Majesty's Charter, but hold their office by your subsequent appointment. The Majority of the Court have declined to give their assent to my Request, because they say, that they look upon you to be the most proper Judges to determine them in this affair & they recommend it to me to make my application accordingly.

I therefore beg Leave to desire that you will be pleased to give Directions to the Mayors Court, that my station & Rank therein may stand agreeable to the Order of the Nomination of Aldermen in his Majesty's Charter & above such as are not name'd there but hold their office by a subsequent appointment.

I have the Honour to be with the utmost Respect.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient & most
humble servant
Andrew Ross.

Fort S^T^: George
26^TH^, Nov^R^. 1753.

To the Hon'ble Tho^S^. Saunders Esq^R^.
Gov^R^. & President &c^A^. Council of Fort S^T^. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

The Hoñble Company having permitted us at our Departure from England to bring Abraham Jacobs with us as our servant who having by his Misbehaviour given us Cause to discharge him from our service, this is to beg the Favour of your Honours to order him Home ℔ first ship, he not having Liberty to trade here according to the Company's Permission & We are willing to pay his Passage according to Custom & in so doing you'll oblige

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient &
very humble servants
David Lopez Fernandez
& Samuel De Castro.

Fort S^T^: George.
Nov^R^. 1753.

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EXTRAORDINARY EXPENCES in the Paymasters account are in the following Particulars October 31st. 1753.

Charges Garrison	Ps.	45	5 555
Peons & Servants wages		42	30 —
Charges General		12	24 33
Charges Extraordinary		320	4 8
Repairs		1078	26 22
Fortifications		1028	34 70
Poonamalle & Ca. Villages		29	3 76
St. Thome &ca. Villages		27	13 65
Expedition to Negrais		41	9 —
Allowance of the Court of Request		36	27 —
Pags. ..		2662	35 9

FORT ST.: GEORGE
31ST OCTOBR. 1753.

ERRORS EXCEPTED
℔ CHAS.: BODDAM.
Paymr.

Sent by Tappies Letter from the Secretary to the Deputy Govr. & Council of Fort St. David dated this day enclosing a Remittance in their Favour of ten thousand Pagodas on Buckanjee Cashedoss's house. 26

Sent by Tappies Letter from the Secretary to the Deputy Governour & Council of Fort St. David with another Bill on Buckanjee for ten thousand Pagodas. 27

Received by Tappies General Letter from the Deputy Governour & Council of Fort St. David dated 28th Ulto. Dec. 1

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR. GOVR PRESIDT. — TUESDAY THE 4TH.
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXR: WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.

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CHAS. BOURCHIER *indisposed.*

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of last Consultation dated the 26th. November read & signed.

Mr. Charles Boddam reports that he had visited the Hospital & found no Cause of Complaint. Report of the Hospital

N. 198 General Letter from the Deputy Governour & Council of Fort St. David dated the 28th. Ultimo read giving us the sentiments of their merchants in Relation to the making an Investment at DeveCotah whereby in General it appears that no advantages would arise to the Company either in the Quantity or Price of the Cloth to be procured, but on the Contrary that it would interfere with the Fort St. David Investment, & probably embroil the merchants of the two settlements who would be obliged to provide their Cloth in the same Towns, that indeed if proper Godowns were erected at DeveCotah it might be of great service to the Merchants who might lodge their Cloth there in security as fast as they got it manufactured and if the King of Tanjore could be prevailed on to let the Cloth pass from the weaving Towns near DeveCotah free of Juncan, the Carriage would be very moderate that if this were obtained & Genl. Letter from Fort St. David read.

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DeveCotah made a magazine only, the Investment might probably encrease & the Cloth turn out cheaper, acquainting us also that Captain Schaub has not yet sent them his Rolls, that only five of the seven Rafts are arrived there, Enclosg. Indent for Civil & Military stores a rectified account of Cloth over & wanting, Names of the weaving Towns near DeveCotah, and a Report of Military stores at St. David, desiring our Directions in Regard to some which are unserviceable.

Consideration of the DeveCotah Investmt. postponed.

AGREED That the Consideration of the DeveCotah Investment be deferr'd, until an answer be received from Mr. Hopkins to the Letter wrote him on that subject.

St. David Indents to be complied with.

ORDER'D That the Indents received from Fort St. David for Civil & Military stores be complied with as far as possible.

Dragon sloop to be sent hither.

AGREED that the Gentlemen at Fort St. David be directed to send the Dragon sloop up hither if at any time she should happen to be there unemployed and a spurt of southerly Wind should offer, that she may be returned to them with the several articles they are in want of.

10,000 Pags. to be sent to St. David by Bill.

That the Gentlemen at Fort St. David may be enabled to furnish Major Lawrence with the necessary supplys of moneys for the use of the army &ca. AGREED that a further Remittance of ten thousand (10000) Pagodas be made them by Bill.

Company's Rice to be sold.

The Export warehousekeeper represents that there are about forty seven Garce of the Companys Rice in their Godowns and that as Rice now bears a Good Price he thinks this a favourable Time to dispose of it and musters being laid before the Board ORDER'D that the same be sold as Opportunities offer after the 20th. Instant if there should be no Reasons to the Contrary, for as much as can be got provided, the best be not disposed of for less than Ninety Pagodas ℔ Garce, nor the second sort under Eighty five Pagods. ℔ Garce.

a Monthly Writer allowed the Military Storekeeper.

The Military Storekeeper having represented that the Business of that Employ cannot be regularly transacted without an assistant, and all the Company's servants being fully employed in the several other Branches, AGREED that Thomas Pelling be employed under the Military Storekeeper as a monthly writer.

Mr. George Dawson station'd under the storekeeper.

AGREED that Mr. George Dawson lately arrived, from DeveCotah be stationed under the storekeeper & that Mr. Alexr. Dalrymple now in that Employ assist the Secretary in the Room of Mr. Brickenden lately sent to DeveCotah, and as it will be necessary by the first Opportunity to remove one of those now in the Secretary's Office to Madapollam in the Room of Mr. Heath who is to attend Coll. Scott AGREED that Mr. William Aldersey who came out in the Delawar & was left behind sick be taken in as a monthly Writer.

a monthly writer taken into the Secretary's office.

a Pair of Chaise Horses to be bought for the President.

A pair of Persia Chaise Horses offering for sale for four hundred Pagodas AGREED that they be purchased for the use of the President, The Governor for the Time being, having been always allowed them at the Company's Expence.

Sampetrou desires to purchase a House at Chepauk.

The President represents to the Board that Sampetrow the Nabob's Duan had expressed a Desire of purchasing a House situated in Chepauk which was formerly inhabited by Mr. Starke and since by several Persons, and had desired Permission to do so, but that he declined giving any determinate Answer until the sentiments of the Board could be taken, he therefore desired their Opinion whether it would be proper to comply with Sampetrow's Request or not.

Opinions thereon Vizt

After some Debate the Members of the Board differing in their Opinions, they were called upon severally to deliver their Reasons for or against the Question, & first as youngest in Council present.

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Mr. Smith

Mr: John Smith declares he is of Opinion that Sampetrow may be permitted to purchase the House as it was formerly in the Possession of Moormen, the present Proprietor bought it of one & other Houses round about it have been sold in the same manner.

Mr. Wynch

Mr: Alexander Wynch is of Opinion that as the present Proprietor of the House bought it of a Moorman it would be a great Hardship on him were he deprived of the Liberty of selling it so again.

Mr Powney.

Mr: Henry Powney is of Opinion that as Sampetrow is but a temporary Inhabitant and resides here only to transact the Nabob's affairs a House in the Black Town will be as convenient for that Purpose as any other & that he should not be permitted to purchase the House in Question.

Mr. Boddam.

Mr: Charles Boddam is of Opinion that neither Sampetrow nor any other Moorman of Rank & Distinction, particularly Men who have been in Power or Officers of State who have withdrawn themselves should be suffer'd to purchase Houses so privately situated from Town, as it may afford them Opportunities of being spies on our Transactions whilst they themselves are unobserved, besides which many other Inconveniences may arise from it in Case of Disputes with the Country Government should such Person demand that Protection, his Property may justly entitle him to a satisfaction could not be given tho' the Company's Interest were ever so essentially concerned. But he is of Opinion the Black Town is the Proper Place for such Persons to inhabit and even there only in hired Houses.

The Presi-dent.

The President is of Opinion that as Sampetrow is an officer of the Nabob and has amass'd together immense wealth, his views in purchasing the House at Chepauk may be to claim the Protection of the English as an Inhabitant & Proprietor in their Territories should he at any time be called to account by his Master, many Instances of which have happen'd & particularly at Vizagapatam where Mr. Stratton connived, at Vizeram Rauze's purchasing a House and building another which has occasion'd some Disgust as on the late Rupture between him and the Nabobs of Rajahmundrum, The former desired his Family might be permitted to reside in those Houses under the English Protection which was refused wherefore the President is of Opinion that Sampetrow should not be permitted to purchase the House.

Which is also the Opinion of the Majority.

The Mayor & Aldermen present two of their Members.

This being the Day on which the Charter directs the Mayor & Aldermen to assemble & Choose two of their Body to be returned to the President and Council for them to elect one to be Mayor for the year ensuing, The Register of the Mayors Court by their Order now attends the Board with Notice that they had done so, and desired admittance, The Mayor and Aldermen being thereupon introduced, presented to the President and Council Messrs. Andrew Munro and John Smith, and then withdrew.

Mr. Andrew Munro appointed Mayor.

The Question being then put whether Mr. Munro or Mr. Smith be elected

Resolved that Mr. Andrew Munro be and he is accordingly hereby appointed to be Mayor of Madrasspatnam &ca. for the ensuing year.

to take the Oaths the 20th.

Order'd that the Secretary signify the same to the Mayors Court and require the Mayor Elect to attend the Board on Thursday the 20th. Instant to take the Oaths, at which time he is to enter on his office.

Mr. Jas. Alexander appointed Sher i

This being also the Day appointed for the Election of a Sheriff and Mr. Jas. Alexander being proposed, is unanimously chosen & appointed to take upon him that Office for the Year ensuing and the Secretary is ordered to require his attendance at the same time as the Mayor to take the Oaths and enter on his Office.

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Cash accott. read.

The President reads the Cash account for last Month Ballance remaining compared with the Chest seventeen thousand three hundred and forty two Current Pagodas twenty one fanams & forteen Cash (Ct. Ps. 17342. 21. 14) and six hundred & ninety two (692) Madrass Pagodas which is carried forward.

Treasury accounts read.

The Treasury accounts for last Month are also read the several Ballances being compared and found right, are One Million, One hundred & seventy two thousand One hundred and sixty nine arcot Rupees thirteen anaes and seven Pice (1172169. 13. 7) and Eight thousand three hundred & twenty (8320) Madrass Rupees which are carried forward.

A.Rs. a. p.

Money paid in for Rupees sold.

Henry Powney Import Wareho.keeper paid in the 3d. Instant five hundred & forty Pagodas Nineteen Fanams & thirty seven Cash (440. 19. 37) [*sic*] for Rupees sold and he now pays in Ten thousand (10,000) Pagodas on the same account.

½ years rent of the Banksall Duty paid in.

Mootiah Farmer of the Banksall Duties pays in two hundred (200) Pagodas for six Months Rent of that Farm due the 1st. June last.

Thos: Saunders.
Chas: Boddam.
Henry Powney.
Ar: Wynch.
John Smith.

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MADRASS PAGODAS.

Dr.				Cr.		
Novr. 1. To Ballance brought from last months accotts.	520	—	—	Novr. 30. By Ballance carried to next Month's account	692	—	—
,, 26. To the Honble Companys Cash for the Mint October Ballance	172	—	—				
M. Ps. ..	692	—	—	M. Ps. ..	692	—	—

ERRORS EXCEPTED

℔ THOMAS SAUNDERS.

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The Honble United Company's Cash

Dr.

		Pagods.		
1	To Ballance brought from last Month's Account	26858	18	68
—	To Henry Powney Import Warehouse-keeper received of him for Rupees sold.	1351	12	52
5	To Henry Powney Import Warehouse-keeper received of him for Rupees sold	20,000	—	—
12	To Henry Powney Import Warehouse-keeper received of him for Rupees sold.	10,000	—	—
—	To Pitloor Vencaty Kistnah & Kellavah Chittee Farmers of the measuring Duty received six Months Rent on that Cowle due 1st. September last	500	—	—
—	To Pitloor Vencaty Kistnah & Kellavah Chittee Farmers of the Town Brokerage received six month Rent on that Cowle due 1st. September last.	350	—	—
19	To Henry Powney Sea Customer received of him in part of the Ballance of that account for last Month	2000	—	—
—	To Claud Russell Accomptant General of the Mayors Court, for so much received of Mr. Jas. Alexander pursuant to an Order of the said Court dated 13th. instant & agreeable to Order of Consultation this day to remain under that Head in the Books by the Governour & Council for the suitors of the said Court unvill such Persons as may be justly entitled to the same make good their Claims	4368	26	54
26	To Thomas Saunders Esqr. lent by him for the Remittances to Fort St. David as ℔ Contra	20,000	—	—
	Carried over ..	85,428	22	14

Contra.

Cr

1	By John Smith Military Paymaster advanced him to Pay the Military and for the Ballance due to him	9540	19	37
—	By Charles Boddam Paymaster advanced for sundry Disbursements	3000	—	—
2	By Fort St. David paid a Bill of Exchange drawn by Thos. Cooke Esqr. dated 20th. October at three days sight as ℔ Order of Consultation the 30th. Ulto. ..	1000	—	—
—	By Alexr. Wynch Commissary advanced him to defray the Charges of the Troops abroad	3351	12	52
5	By Tellasinga Chittee &cs. Merchants, advanced them on accott. of the Investment	10,000	—	—
—	By Linga Chittee, Servanah Chittee, Tellasinga Chittee & Gundaveddy Vencata Ramah advanced them for the Provision of Fine Goods	10,000	—	—
12	By Gundaveddy Vancata Ramah & Nella Chittee advanced them on account of the Investment	10,000	—	—
19	By the Church stock of St. Mary Fort St. George paid the Minister & Church Wardens a Bond given by the late President & Council of Fort St. George dated the 30th. Septr. 1746 as ℔ Order of Consultation the 22d. Ulto. Vizt. Principal Pags. 2000 — —; Interest thereon to the 30th. Ulto. years mo. being 7 1 at 8 ℔ Cent ℔ annum. 1133 12 —	3133	12	—
	Carried over ..	50,025	8	9

THE HONBLE UNITED COMPANY'S CASH—*cont.*

DR.						CONTRA—*cont.*				CR.
	Brought over ..			85,428	22 14	Brought over ..			50,025	8 9
26	To Thomas Saunders Esqr. Mint Master received of him the Ballance of Pagodas in that accott. for last Month Vizt.					19	By the Mayors Court of Madraspatnam paid Mr. Jas. Alexander pursuant to an Order of the said Court dated 13th. Instant & agreeable to an Order of Consultation this day the amount of a Bond dated 30th. Septr. 1746 from the late President & Council of Fort St. George to Joseph Fowke then Mayor &ca. Aldermen			4368	26 54
	In Current or Star Pagodas	465	10 10			26	By Garden House paid Mrs. Antonia de Medeiros the Purchase money for the same situated in the Road to St. Thomé as ℔ Order of Consultation the 28th. August & this day			3500	— —
	Madrass Pagodas ..	172	— —			—	By the Revd. Padre Severini and Mrs. Antonia Carvalho de Medeiros paid them one years Interest due 20th. Instant on a Bond for 30,000 Rupees deposited in the Honble Company's Cash at 6 ℔ Cent ℔ an. as ℔ Order of Consultatn. the 19th. Instt. Rs. 1800 @ 370 ..			486	17 41
				637	10 10	—	By the Estate of John Churchey deceased paid Peter Dencker as ℔ Order of Consultation the 24 Septr. a note to him from the late Mr. Churchey dated 5th. March 1751. Vizt.				
—	To Henry Powney Import Warehouse-keeper received of him on his Running account			10,000	— —		Principal Pags.	28	24 —		
—	To Alexr. Wynch Storekeeper received of him in part of the Ballance of that account for last month			1000	— —		Interest at 8 ℔ Ct. to the 18th. Augt. 1751 (the Day of Mr. Churchey's Decease) being 10 Years, 5 months, 12 days	23	34 51		
—	To John Smith Land Customer Received of him in full for the Ballance of that account for last Month			332	4 37					52	22 51
	Carried over ..			97,448	— 61		Carried over ..			58,433	2 75

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THE HONBLE UNITED COMPANY'S CASH—*cont.*

Brought over ..	97,448	—	61
Star or Current Pagods. ..	97448	—	61

CONTRA—*cont.*

	Brought over ..	58,433	2	75
			Cr.	
—	By Fort St. David, remitted to the Deputy Govr. & Council in a Bill of Exchange drawn by Goaul Terwady on Buckanjee Cashedoss's Gomastah's at 4 days sight.	10,000	—	—
26	By Chas. Boddam Export Warehousekeeper advanced him for the Charges of that Employ	500	—	—
—	By Charles Bourchier Military Storekeeper advanced him for the Charges of that Employ	1000	—	—
—	By Madrass Pagodas for the Mint October Ballance	172	—	—
27	By Fort St. David remitted to the Deputy Govr. & Council in a Bill of Exchs. drawn by Buckanjee Cashedoss on his House at Eight days sight	10000	—	—
		80105	2	75
30	By Ballance carried to next Month's account	17342	33	66
	Star or Current Pags. ..	97448	—	61

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℔ THOMAS SAUNDERS.

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Arcot Rupees.

Dr.				Cr.			
Novr. 1. To Ballance brought from last Month	1291,169	13	7	Novr. 1. By Import Warehousekeeper delivered him for sale	5000	—	—
				5. By Do. Do. Do. ..	76000	—	—
				12. By Do, Do. Do. ..	38000	—	—
				30. By Ballance	1172169	13	7
	1291,169	13	7		1291169	13	7

Errors Excepted
℔ Thomas Saunders.
Charles Boddam.
Henry Powney.

Madrass Rupees.

Dr.				Cr			
Novr. 1. To Ballance brought from last Month.	8320	—	—	Novr. 30. By Ballance carried forward . ..	8320	—	—

Errors Excepted.
℔ Thomas Saunders.
Charles Boddam.
Henry Powney.

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5 Sent by Tappies Letter from the Secretary to the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort S[t]. David, with a Remittance in their favour of Ten thousand Pagodas on Buckanjee Cashedoss.

6 Received by Tappies Gen[l]. Letter from Fort S[t]. David dated the 3[d]. Instant.

8 Sent by Tappies Gen[l]. Letter to the Deputy Governour & Council of Fort S[t]. David dated this day.

9 Received by Tappies Gen[l]. Letter from Fort S[t]. David dated the 6[th]. Instant.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY THE 10TH. THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQ[R]. GOV[R]. PRESID[T].
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEX[R]: WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.
CHA[S]: BOURCHIER.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of last Consultation dated the 4[th]. Inst. read & signed.

Report of the Hospital. The Salivating Ward to be fitted up.

Mr. Henry Powney reports that he had visited the Hospital, and represents that the salivating ward is very improper for the Purpose being only a common tiling which being open in many Places must be extremely prejudicial to the Patients by exposing them to the Weather ORDER'D that the Tiling be plaistered & the ward made commodious for the Patients.

Genl. Letters from Fort St. David read.

N. 199 & N. 200 General Letters from the Deputy Governour & Council of Fort S[t]. David read, The first dated the 3[d]. Instant advising the Receipt of two Remittances of ten thousand Pagodas each enclosed in the Secretary's Letters to them dated the 26[th]. & 27[th]. Ultimo The other dated the 6[th]. Inst[t]. accompanying their Consultations and accounts for October and advising that they have three hundred & four Bales in all on hand which are at the Washers Beaters & Dyers.

Letter from the Court of Request desiring a Representation may be made home & an allowance to their Clerk.

Letter from the Commissioners of the Court of Requests read as enter'd hereafter acquainting Us that agreeable to the Charter they had ballotted out half their Number and elected as many in their Room desiring our application to the Honble Court of Directors to obtain a Power to appoint new members in the Course of the year in the stead of such as many be absent, & representing that the Fees to their Clerk ever since the Establishment of that Court have amounted to no more than six Pagodas, nor can they be enlarged without oppressing the Poor therefore recommending him to have an allowance of 4 Pagodas ℔ Month.

Granted.

AGREED that the Representation be made to our Honble Masters as requested & that the Clerk of the said Court have an allowance of four Pagodas ℔ Month as the Profits of his Employ are very inconsiderable and no way adequate to the Trouble.

Estimate of repairing one of the Confiscated Houses. Order'd to be done.

Letter from Mr. John Brohier read as enter'd hereafter with an Estimate of sundry Repairs necessary to be made to one of the Confiscated Houses late Mr. Carvalho's amounting to thirty five Pagodas twenty two fanams & twenty Cash (35. 22. 20) ORDER'D that the same be repaired accordingly.

Petition of the Farmers of St. Thome for an allowance for the Damages sustained by the Enemy.

Petition of Subramoney Modelaire and Linga Chittee Farmers of S[t]. Thomé &c[a]. Villages read as entered hereafter setting forth that the Loss they sustained by the Ravages of Rajah Saib son of Chunda Saib amounts as ℔ account of Particulars accompanying the said Petition to upwards of Two thousand Pagodas & praying that the same may be allowed them out of the Rent now due on that Cowle.

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A particular Enquiry having been made into the Damages and Losses sustained in the S^{t}. Thome Districts by the Incursions of the Enemy The Board are of Opinion that the said Farmers cannot have suffer'd so considerably as they represent tho' it is very probable their Loss may have amounted to more than one thousand Pagodas it is therefore AGREED that they be allowed One thousand Pagodas only unless they will take the most solemn Oath in their Pagoda to the Truth of their account in which Case they are to be allowed the whole.

Agreed to alolw 1000 Pag^{s}. unless they will swear to their account & then the whole to be allowed.

Linga Chittee having been ordered in the year 1752 to coin a certain Quantity of Madrass Dodoes and Cuddalore Cash and to issue them at the usual Currency, an account Coinage is now laid before the Board as enter'd hereafter, whereby it appears that the Cost of ten and three Quarters Candy of Copper is Pagodas 1335. and that the Dodoes and Cash coin'd therefrom issued at the Currency produced no more than 28172 Fanams which at thirty six fanams ℔ Pagoda amounts to Pagodas 1060. 12. so that by this Calculation there is a Ballance due to Linga Chittee of Pag^{s}. 274. 24. – but as the said Fanams will not in Reality exchange at thirty six for a Pagoda tho' the Company's Books are kept at that Rate, it is ORDER'D that Linga Chittee pay into Cash the said 28172 fanams and that the Cost of the Copper being Pagodas 1335 be paid him.

Ballance of an accott. Coinage of Dodoes & Cash in 1752 to be paid Linga Chittee.

A Certificate from M^{r}. Claud Russell Accountant General of the Mayors Court read, Purporting that M^{r}. Daniel Morse Register of the said Court is to pay into the Company's Cash the sum of Two thousand four hundred & thirty Eight Pagodas thirteen fanams and fifty five Cash (2438. 13. 55) to be placed to the account of the Accountant General and to the Credit of the Creditors of Coja Miguel Paulo an Armenian deceased.

Certificate for Money to be paid into Cash in the name of the Accompt General.

And the said sum of Pag^{s}. 2438. 13. 55 being now tender'd accordingly is received into the Company's Cash and a Receipt pursuant to our Honble masters Directions signed for the same.

The money receiv'd & Receipt signed.

The Vizagapatam Chints being now compleatly cured ORDER'D that musters be laid before the Board at the next Consultation.

Musters of Vizagapatam chints to be laid before the Board.

ORDER'D that a Pattamar be dispatched to the northern settlements acquainting them of the late good success at Trichinopoly which we would have communicated, to the Country Powers as Occasion may offer and that as M^{r}. Westcott inform us the Rajah has lately gained a compleat victory over the Nabob and got Possession of the whole Country, We are in hopes they will be able to make some Progress in their Investment to assist our January Dispatch.

Pattamars to be sent to the northern sett ements.

Pitloor Vencata Kistna and Kellavah Chittee Beetle & Tobacco Farmers pay in One thousand three hundred & thirty three Pagodas twelve fanams (1333. 12. –) for two months Rent of that Cowle due the 1st. of November last.

Beetle & Tobacco Farmers pay in Rent.

Pitloor Vencata Kistnah and Kellavah Chittee. Farmers of the Arrack & wine License pay in six hundred & sixty six Pagodas twenty four fanams (666. 24. –) for two month's Rent of that Cowle due the 1st. of November last.

Farmers of arrack [&] Wine License pay in Rent.

Linga Chittee Renter of Trivatore &c^{a}. Villages pays in One thousand three hundred (1300) Pagodas for one years Rent due the first of September last.

Renter of Trivatore &c^{a}. Villages pay in Rent.

Henry Powney Sea Customer pays in Two thousand Five hundred (2500) Pagodas on his running Account.

Sea Customer pays in on his running account.

THO^{S}: SAUNDERS.
CHA^{S}: BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
A^{R}: WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CH^{S}: BOURCHIER.

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ACCOUNT COINAGE of Ten & three Quarter Candy of Copper into Madrass Dodoes for account of the Honble Company VIZ^{t}.

Candy's lb lb
10¾ @ 520 ℔ Candy is 5590 make Viss

	Dodoes.
dodoes.	
1788¾ at 160 ℔ Viss	286200
Coinage at 37 Dodoes ℔ Viss	66184
Neat Madrass Dodoes ..	220 016

Dodoes.
220,016 at 8 ℔ Fanam is Fan^{s}. 27502 at 36 ℔ Pag^{a}. is .. 763 34

ACCOUNT COINAGE of three Candy of Copper into Cuddalore Cash for account of the Honble Company.

Candy. lb	
3 @ 500 ℔ Candy is 1560 make Viss 499½ @ 1080 ℔ ..	561,600
Coinage at 270 ℔ Viss	134,800
Neat Cuddalore Cash ..	426,800

Cash.
426800 at 40 ℔ Fan^{s}. is Fan^{s}. 10670 at 36 ℔ Pag^{a}. is .. 296 14

Candy.		
7¾ of Copper bought at 96 ℔ Candy is Pag^{s}.	744	
6 of Do. @ 98½ ℔ do.	591	
Pagod^{s}. ..	1335	—
2 Accounts Coinage amounting in Fanams	1060	12
Lost ..	274	24

CUDDALORE
MARCH 1752.

SORROF LINGA CHITTEE.

TO THE HONBLE THO^{s}. SAUNDERS ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT & GOV^{R}. &^{CA}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}: GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

THE Honble President having Order'd some necessary Repairs to be done to the Confiscated House (late M^{r}. Carvalho's) You have herewith the Estimate of the Charge of those Repairs for your Approbation & am most Respectfully

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most humble & most
Obedient Servant
J: BROHIER.

FORT S^{T}: GEORGE
DECEM. 10TH. 1753.

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ESTIMATE of Repairs wanting to the Confiscated House late Mr. Carvalho's December 10th. 1753.

	Pags.	Fa.	Ca.	Pags.	Fa.	Ca.
REPAIRING the Tarrass—						
Materials & Workmanship	4					
Repairing the Plaistering of the floors of the Godowns	10					
				14	—	—
BUILDING a 9 inch Wall 60 Foot long in lieu of a Balustrade blown down in the Novr. storm.						
Wall Bricks 4000	2	30	—			
Oxen hire	—	29	40			
Chunam .. ..Parahs 40	3	3	20			
Bricklayers & Cooley hire	4	—	—			
				10	26	60
BUILDING a Necessary House in the yard—						
Wall bricks 2000	1	15	—			
Oxen hire .. .. .. —	—	14	60			
Chunam .. .. Parahs 20	1	22	60			
Bricklayers and Coolies	2	14	—			
Sand & clay	1	21	—			
				7	15	40
To some Repairs to Doors & Windows				3	16	—
Pagods.				35	22	20

J. BROHIER.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.

PRESIDT. & GOVERNOUR &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

THE HUMBLE PETITION OF SOOBRAMONEY MOODELAIR & LINGA CHITTEE

SHEWETH

That your Petitioners have drawn out and beg Leave to lay before your Honour &ca. Council a particular account of all the Losses that your Petitioners met in the time they farm'd, St. Thome &ca. Villages by the Grain &ca. being plunder'd & Burnt by Rajasaib the son of Chundasaib amounting to Pags. 2107. 25. 70 which your Petitioners humbly beg your Honour &ca. to allow them out of the Rent now due on that Cowle.

AND Your Petitioners as in Duty Bound shall ever Pray.

AN ACCOUNT of Grain &ca. plunder'd & burnt by Raja Saeb the son of Chunda Saib in the following Villages of St. Thome in the last Harvest & what is spoiled by the said Disturbances from the 23d. of January 1751/2. Vizt.

	Collum.	mc.	m.	coll.	mc.							
POLLAGARNEDTH—												
Paddy & Plants ..	472	6	—	@ 1	9	℔	Pagoda	270	—	—		
Warragoo	60	—	—	@ 2	6	℔	do.	24	—	—		
Natcheny	45	—	—	@ 1	6	℔	do.	30	—	-		
											324	— —
NUNMUNGALUM & CHITTY MADOO—												
Paddy	287	6	—	@ 1	9	℔	do.	164	10	'0		
Natcheny	20	—	—	@ 1	6	℔	do.	13	11	65		
											177	21 75
ALLUNDOOR and NUNDOMPACK—												
Paddy	345			@ 1	9	℔	do.	197	4	40		
Waragoo	400			@ 2	6	℔	do.	160	—	—		
Natcheny	45			@ 1	6	℔	do.	30	—	—		
											387	4 40
Carried over ..											888	26 35

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									Brought over ..			888	26	35
Allundar and Nundam Pack Mount Lost on the Arrack farms & Juncam Rent.												22	—	—
Marmalon—														
Paddy	553	3	—	@ 1	9	℔	Pagoda	316	4	40			
Natcheny	160	6		@ 1	6	℔	do.	107	—	—			
								423	4	40			
Weavers, Painters & other Cast's Rent & Revenues as usual.								32	—	—			
												455	4	40
St. Thome—														
Paddy	526	6		@ 1	9	℔	Pagoda	300	30	75			
Natcheny	211	6		@ 1	6	℔	Pag.	141	—	—			
								441	30	75			
Lost in Land Custom by not importing the Goods from all Parts of the Country by the said Disturbances & the Painting Cloth being not permitted to be sent out of St. Thome as usual is about								300	—	—			
												741	30	75
								Pagods. ..				2107	25	70

To the Honble Thomas Saunders Esqr.

President & Governour &ca. Council of Fort St: George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Agreeable to the Tenour of his Majesties Charter and the Orders of the Court of Directors We met this Day being the first Thursday in December and balloted out Messrs. Hugh Norris, Charles Simpson, James Munro, & Francis Taylor, in the Room of whom We elected, Messrs. Samuel Ardley, George Dawson, Mathew Clarke and Claud Russell.

As the members of the Court are liable to be removed to different Parts of the Coast on the Company's service, and no Provision is made for the Election of new ones, but on the first Thursday in December every year, Your Honour &ca. may think it necessary to represent this to the Court of Directors in order to procure authority for the filling up Vacancies at any time of the year in case of a want of Members to carry on the Business of the Court by the Death or absence of several of the Commissioners.

Upon Examination of the Fees of the Clerk of the Court they appear not to have amounted to quite six Pagodas from the time of its Establishment. As this a very trifling Recompense & the Fees of the Court cannot be raised without distressing the poor Inhabitants, We take the Liberty to recommend him to your Honour &ca. for an allowance of four Pagodas a month. We are with Respect

Honble Sir & Sirs
Yr. most Obedt. humble servants
Henry Vansittart.
Chs: Turner.
Jas: Alexander.
Jas: Bourchier.

Fort St: George
6th. Decem. 1753.

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Sent by Peons Gen^{l}. Letters to Vizagapatam, Ingeram and Bandarmalanka agreeable to Resolution of last Consultation all dated this Day. 11

Receiv'd Gen^{l}. Letter from Fort S^{t}. David dated 12th. Instant and one from DeveCotah dated 9th. Instant. 15

Received by Peons Gen^{l}. Letter from Vizagapatam dated 22^{d}. November. 16

Received Gen^{l}. Letter from Fort S^{t}. David dated 16th. Instant. 20

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQ^{R}. GOV^{R}. PRESID^{T}.
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEX^{R}: WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

THURSDAY THE 20TH.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of last Consultation dated the 10th. Instant read & sign'd.

General Letters read Viz^{t}.

N. 201 and N. 204 from the Deputy Gov^{r}. & Council of Fort S^{t}. David the first dated the 12th. Decem^{r}. advising the Receipt of our last Remittance for 10000 Pag^{s}. That they are in Want of Gunpowder and desire a supply of One hundred Barrells That the Blue Dyers have complained of a Combination amongst the Dealers in Indigo who have monopolised that Commodity and raised that Price to above double what it used to be desiring our Directions for preventing this Practise which may be attended with bad Consequences to the Company's Investment as well as to Trade in General The other dated the 16th. Instant acknowledging the Receipt of ours of the 8th. and acquainting us that Pauparauze Linga Chittee's agent has brought in to the amount of 7000 Pagod^{s}. of Cloth, and that they have advanced him 5000 Pagodas more, That in Regard to their writing Assistants M^{r}. Beard's Handwriting is not fit to appear in publick Business besides that it is impossible to keep him to his Duty, that he requests Leave to come up hither being desirous of returning to Europe. That M^{r}. Charles Saunders having been very ill of an Inflamation in his Liver is incapable of applying to a Desk. That M^{r}. Greenslate, is very capable but negligent to the last Degree & tho' all Endeavours have been used to reclaim him he still persists and says he rather chuses to lay down the service than submit to be confined to the Fort, The Secretary therefore desires one good assistant & then promises his Business shall be regularly kept up. That M^{r}. Norris informs them when M^{r}. Cooke left that Place the Original Books were very near brought up but the Copies greatly behind hand and their being very incorrect has prevented their being ballanced, but that they will be completed in a few days. That the Dragon sloop has been repairing at Cuddalore and when finished is to be sent to DeveCotah with Gun Carriages and Orders to take in a Loading of Piles & proceed hither That all their Military stores have been survey'd except the Gun Powder which the Weather will not permit but it is in General very bad.

Genl. Letters from Fort St. David read

N. 202 from M^{r}. Cha^{s}. Hopkins Chief of DeveCotah dated the 9th. Instant acquainting us that he has not yet been able to obtain sufficient Information in Relation to the Investment, the Roads being extreamly bad had render'd all Interview with the Merchants impracticable but that he should put our Orders in Execution as soon as possible.

Genl. Letter from Deve-Cotah read.

N. 203 from George Pigot Esq^{r}. Chief &c^{a}. Council of Vizagapatam dated 22^{d}. Ultimo giving us a very particular account of the Progress of the War between the Nabob & Rajah and the success of the latter, That they had carefully avoided as much as possible any Correspondence with either Party but

Genl. Letter from Vizagapatam read.

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that Complaisance made it necessary to do little favours some times for each. That they have now in the Hospital some of the Rajah's wounded men and desire our Compliance with an Indent for surgeons utensils & Instruments. That the Nabob had given them a Promise of Permission to coin Dubbs, but while they were preparing a small Present for him on the Occasion, they heard of his Defeat, however they are preparing to coin on his verbal Promise. That having Reason to apprehend the French intended to settle near them and had fix'd on Connara about 30 miles to the Northward they obtained the Rajahs Leave to hoist the English Flag there and desire our Permission to build a small Lodge for the Peons, That the Troubles have so much impeded their Investment that for this Month past they have not had five Bales brought in but the Country being now open their Merchants have sent to buy up all the Cloth that can be got tho' they fear little can be got before January.

Genl. Letters to be Wrote to.

AGREED that the following General Letters be prepared Viz^{t}.

Fort St. David.

To Fort S^{t}. David in Regard to the Monopoly of Indigo, That all such Combinations should be prevented if possible without the immediate Interposition of Power which is inconsistent with the Liberty of an English Colony and on which alone Trade can flourish but that if the Exportation of that Commodity were prohibited, it might have the desired Effect. That we are glad to find Pauparauze has brought in so much Cloth but that whilst advances are made to him alone the Trade is wholly flung into his Hands to the utter Ruin of the other Merchants whom We would not have laid aside but that we think it best to advance them at the same time That their Remark of M^{r}. Beard is just and if he really designs to resign the service he may do so & then proceed hither but not else. As to M^{r}. Greenslate & all others who can, but refuse to do their Duty, our Order for cofining them must be strictly obeyed and if M^{r}. Greenslate is still refractory we shall dismiss him from the service; That the DeveCotah Books are behind hand owing to the not sending regular Invoices of Military stores, which must never be omitted, That Captn. Gardiner must proceed to Camp & Captn. Donald Campbell take the Command at S^{t}. David and such Officers as came in for their Health and are recover'd must also return to Camp. That M^{r}. John Perceval who accepted of a Commission in the Military being desirous of resigning he may continue at S^{t}. David in the Civil Employ.

Bengal & Bombay
***Vide Extra Occurrens.**

To Bengal & Bombay in Relation to Officers & Voluntiers agreeable to what advised Major Lawrence the * 22^{d}. November.

Vizagapatam.

To Vizagapatam that We should have been better pleased if the Nabob's Perwana could have been obtained for coining Dubbs, however we consent to their proceeding in that Business on his verbal Promise that we don't see how the hoisting the English Colours at Conarra will prevent the French settling there as the Raja has not nor can make us a Grant of it and if he could it would answer as well to the French to settle a few Miles further. That however we do not disapprove of what they have done but would have them avoid entering into fresh Disputes with the French unless in support of the Company's Rights or that some real advantage may arise from it, if they perceive any in this they may build as light mettah at Conarra as the Expence will be inconsiderable. That their Indent for surgeon's utensils &c^{t}. is unprecedented as the surgeon has an allowance to provide everything but if they find it more convenient to be supplied from hence they must acquaint us in time that We may indent to Europe and then the Surgeons allowance must be struck off. That the Detachment at Ingeram being consider'd as part of the Garrison of Vizagapatam are allowed Batta which is unnecessary & therefore that Detachment is to be independent.

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To DeveCotah, That We observe one Francis Flaction in the Military Pay-Roll called an Ensign and paid as such, That we know no such Person & must be acquainted how he came by that Rank. Devecotah.

ORDER'D also that General Letters to Ingeram, Madapollam, Tellicherry & Anjengo be prepared to cover Duplicates of the last & to advise of the several Occurrences since we wrote to them. To Ingeram, Madapollam, Tellicherry & Anjengo.

The Paddy in store at DeveCotah having laid there a considerable time & being subject to Damage and waste and as the present Harvest promises plentifully ORDER'D that Mr. Hopkins be directed to sell the same & replace it with a like Quantity of fresh Grain. Paddy at DeveCotah to be sold & replaced with new.

Agreeable to Order of last Consultation the Export Warehousekeeper lays before the Board muster of the Chints painted at Vizagapatam for a Tryal which being carefully examined it is the General Opinion that they are but indifferently executed, That the Colours particularly the red, want Life, and that the Cloth is too coarse, AGREED that the Gentlemen at Vizagapatam be advised thereof and that it will not answer unless their artists improve which probably they may on a further tryal and therefore We would have them put another Parcell in hand. Vizagapatam Chints examined. Opinion thereon.

*Letter from Captain George Frederick Gaupe read as enterd hereafter giving as particular an account as he is able of the Cloathing for his Detachment which was seized & carried into Pondicherry amounting to One hundred Pagodas which he prays to be reimbursed ORDER'D that it be paid accordingly as the Loss of the Cloathing was by an unforseen accident & what he should not therefore be liable to. * Vide Consult. 19th. Novr. Letter from Captn. Gauppe desiring to be paid for some Cloathg. lost. Granted.

The Petition of Meer Munsoor read as enter'd hereafter setting forth his services as a subidar of seapoys, that he has been unemployed for Eight months past whilst others have been preferr'd which has reduced him to Distress and want Praying that he may be allowed his Pay & be provided for in such manner as the Board shall think fitt. The Petitioner having on many Occasions behaved himself with remarkable Bravery, & received many wounds which for some time render'd him incapable of Duty & was one Reason of his not being before provided for, AGREED that he be allowed his Pay & sent to Arcot with a Recommendation to be preferred to the first vacant Subadarship. Petition of Meer Munsoor to be allowed his Pay & to be employed. Granted.

There being a Quantity of Salt Provisions in the Garrisons of Arcot, Chingalaput &c^{a}. as store in Case of a seige, which having been salted a Considerable time will become useless if not replaced The Commissary offers to salt & deliver the like Quantity in the several Forts, on his being permitted to issue out the old at proper times to the several Garrisons instead of fresh meat which the Board consent to as otherwise the salt Provisions must perish & be utterly lost. Old salt Provisions in the several Garrisons to be replaced with new. The Commissary undertakes it.

AGREED that Mess^{rs}. John Smith and Charles Bourchier be a Committee to enquire concerning the arrears of the several Farms at the time this settlement was lost and Report to the Board their Proceedings therein. Mess^{rs}. Smith & Bourchier to enquire concerning the arrears of Rent & report.

Altho there is but little Probability of the Companys Broad Cloth selling to advantage, Part of last years Importation lying still on the Buyers hands yet as our Honble Masters have positively directed that their Broad Cloth shall be sold the same season it arrives ORDER'D that it be put up at Outcry on Wednesday the 30th. of January next, and the usual Notice be affixed at the Sea Gate. Broad Cloth to be sold 30th Janry

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The Military store keeper to provide Charcoal.

The Pesident acquaints the Board that the Engineer has represented to him that the Powder Mill erecting in Egmore Redoubt will be compleat in two Months, ORDER'D that the Military storekeeper provide a Quantity of Charcoal for making Gun Powder that no time may be lost when the Mill is in a Condition to work.

Two sums deposited in Cash by Order of the Mayors Court in the Name of the Accountt General.

Two Certificates from Mr. Claud Russell Accomptant General of the Mayor's Court read, Purporting that Mr. Daniel Morse Register of the said Court is to pay into Cash the following sums Vizt. Two hundred and Ninety five Pagodas nine Fanams & forty eight Cash (295. 9. 48) being the Ballance of what was saved out of the Corporation Cash Chest by Henry Powney Esqr. when this Place was taken by the French, and the sum of Three hundred & Eleven Pagodas (311) being so much saved out of the said Chest at the same time by Mr. Robt. Sloper, which sums are to be placed to the account of the Accountant General & to the Credit of the Mayors Court.

AND the said several sums being now tendered accordingly are received into the Honble Company's Cash & Receipts in due form signed for the same.

10,000 Pags. rep aid the Pr esident.

The President desires to be repaid ten thousand (10,000) Pagodas in part of the (20,000) twenty thousand Pagods. lent by him the 26th. Ultimo to the Cash, there being now a sufficiency of Pagodas in the Chest AGREED that it be issued accordingly.

The Commissary pays in Money on the Nabobs accott.

*Extra Occurencs.

The Commissary pays in Eleven thousand four hundred and thirty five Current Pagodas one fanam and thirty five Cash (11435. 1. 35) being the Produce in the Mint of Ten thousand five hundred & Eighty Eight (10588) Madrass Pagodas remitted by Abdul BobCawn in part of the Tripoty Rents & recoined, as ℔ Order of Consultation *the 30th. October. ORDER'D the said sum of Current Pagodas be carried to the Credit of Nabob Anaverde Cawn Behauder.

Advance to the Painters.

AGREED that six thousand (6000) Pagodas be advanced to Tonnapah, Condapah & Painters on account of Chints to be painted by them.

The Mayor & Sherif Elect are sworn in for the ensuing year.

Mr. Andrew Munro, Mayor Elect & Mr. Jas. Alexander Sherif Elect attending, are sworn into their respective offices for the year Ensuing.

THOS: SAUNDERS.
CHAS: BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
AR: WYNCH.
JOHN SMITH.
CHS: BOURCHIER.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I take the Liberty to lay before you that pursuant to the Order received in the Month of August last year I send by Captn. Schaub's embarking the Cloathing for those Men of my Company then in Garrison at Fort St. David, consisting in thirty six Garments for

1 Serjeant
2 Corporals
2 Drummers
31 Private

which was lost at the taking and carrying of the said Captn. Schaub to Pondicherry. Since I have no more in my Possession the Genl. Accout of the Cloathing I cannot give a particular one of the cost of the different Pieces but can attest that every Cloth came to about 2¾ Pags. and the whole amount of the said Garments to some thing above a hundred Pagodas I was at several times promised by Captn. Schaub that Mr. Dupleix himself would make a Restitution which engaged me not to trouble you with it but as no satisfaction may be

expected from that side, and the Situation of my affairs being in the Case to want it, I beg of you the favour to take in Consideration whether it would not be reasonable if I dare hope to be indemnified at the Honble Companys Charge and desire you will order the said One hundred Pagodas to be paid in the Hands of the Reverend Mr. Robt. Palk.

I am with profound Respect
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most humble Obedt. Servant
GEORGE FREDERICK GAUPP.

TRISHNAPOLY
9TH DECEMBER 1753.

TO THE HONBLE THOS: SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR OF FORT ST: GEORGE.

THE HUMBLE PETITION OF MEER MUNSOOR

SHEWETH

That Your Petitioner having been very diligent & gratefull in discharging his Duty in the Honble Company's service and never failed, to shew his Bravery in sundry Engagements to the utter satisfaction of his superiours which are well known to several English officers Gentlemen & seapoys But your Petitioner is sorry to observe that he has not been so fortunate to be preferr'd suitable to the Merit of his Courage & Labour which not only tended to your Petitioners Disadvantage but has also thrown him into Disgrace before his Brother Subadars, who they were enlisted in the service long after your Petitioner, had the good Fortune to be preferred beyond your Petitioner.

It is Eight months since your Petitioner had the misfortune to be exposed to absolute Distress & attends your Honours Door together with his People under Hopes to obtain your Honours Favour & Mercy and as your Petitioner & his said attendants are now reduced to great adversity he prays your Honour will be so good to consider his Circumstances favourably, for capacitating him to discharge such Debts which he has contracted to support himself & attendants all this while by allowing him Pay from the time of his arrival here and recommending him to some station at Arcot as your Judgement & Generosity will determine wherein he humbly promises to behave with due Gratitude &ca.

And your Petitioner as in Duty bound shall ever pray.

Received General Letter from Fort St. David dated 18th. Instant. 21
Receiv'd by Pattamar Genl. Letter from Bombay dated the 31st. October. 22
Recēd by Peons Genl. Letter from Bandarmalanka dated the 8th. Instant. —

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR: GOVR: PRESIDT: — MONDAY THE 24TH
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXR: WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.
CHAS: BOURCHIER.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of last Consultation dated the 20th. Instant read & signed.

Mr. Alexr. Wynch reports that he had visited the Hospital and found no Cause of Complaint. — Hospital reported

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General Letters read Vizr.

Genl. Letter from Fort St. David read.

N. 205 from the Deputy Governour & Council of Fort St. David dated 18th. Instant advising that they had drawn on us for one thousand Pagodas payable at 5 days sight to John Smith Esqr. value receiv'd into the Honble Companys Cash of Thos. Cooke Esqr.

Genl Letter from Bombay read.

N. 206 from the President & Council of Bombay dated the 31st. October acknowledging the Receipt of ours of the 9th. & 24th. July and acquainting us that they do not apprehend they shall be able to spare us any Pepper towards providing for our Tonnage. That if Thirty Bombay Officers & seapoys at this Presidency are desirous of returning they will releive them with a like number or if they should be inclin'd to enter on this Establishment they will write them off accordingly, Enclosing a statement of their Pay & allowances to their Family's to Septr. 1753 That the Plank We indented for long since has been lying at Calicut, desiring we will acquaint them whether we intend to send for it or whether they shall dispose of it.

Genl. Letter fromBandarmalanka read.

N. 207 from Mr. John Andrews at Bandarmalanka dated the 8th. Instant acknowledging the Receipt of ours of the 7th. November & acquainting us that he had published at Metchlepatam an offer of Pardon & Reward to any English Deserters who should return to their Colours but is doubtfull of success as he apprehends most of them have been sent to Golconda That his accott. Quick stock shall be sent the latter End of this Month enclosing the Monthly accotts. for November.

Letter from Captn. Schaub.

Translation of a Letter from Captain Henry Schaub read as enter'd hereafter desiring to be reimbursed six Pagodas ℔ Man which he gave to such of his Detachment at Pondicherry who did not desert as a Reward for their fidelity, and requesting to be allowed whole Batta instead of half.

to lye on the Table,

Order'd that the said Letter do lye on the Table to be further Considered.

Mr. Bourchier reports that sundries had been stolen out of the Military storehouse, and an Iron gun lost in the surf.

Mr. Charles Bourchier Military Storekeeper represents that the Military Storehouse being only a Common til'd Building, had lately been broke open by Rogues who got thro the Tiling and stole One Piece of Red Europe Buntin and one Piece of white Country Betteelas value together six Pagodas, thirty three fans. and forty four Cash (6. 33. 24 [*sic*]) That he had caused diligent search & Enquiry to be made after the villains but without Effect and as it is not in his Power to prevent accidents of this sort in such a Warehouse he therefore requests that he may be indemnified. He also represents that a Old twenty four Pounder Gun being one of these intend to be sent home on the Delawar

℔ qr. lb.

weight 46. 1. 5 value Pags. 83. 1. 38 was by accident lost in the surf the lashing to the Cattamarans giving way, that he had used all possible Means to recover it, but without success it being buried in the Sand.

To be wrote off.

Order'd that the said Buntin Betteelas and Iron Gun be wrote off to Profit & Loss.

Mr. Boddam reports that he had recovered the amount of the Deficiency of Rice ℔ Prince George.

Mr. Charles Boddam Export Wareho. kr. acquaints the Board that agreeable to Order of Consultation the 30th. October he had recover'd of the Export Wareho. Conicoply, Sea Gate Dubash & Head Boatman the amount of the Deficiency of Rice ℔ Prince George.

Bill from Fort St. David ordered to be paid.

The Bill of Exchange for 1000 Pagodas drawn from Fort St. David in favour of John Smith Esqr. as advised in the Genl. Letter this day read being present Order'd that it be accepted & paid when due.

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General Letters are now signed to Bombay, Tellicherry, Anjengo, Vizagapatam, Ingeram, Madapollam, Fort S^{t}. David & DeveCotah agreeable to Resolution of last Consultation with the following addition to the Letter to Bombay in answer to that received from thence Viz^{t}. That in Regard to the Plank at Calicut as they have more frequently Opportunities than we of ships touching there We desire they will send it round to Us. Genl. Letters signed.

Charles Boddam Paymaster read that account for last Month. Monthly accott. read Paymaster.

	Pags.		
Charges Garrison	262	5	—
Hospital Charges	211	29	—
Peons & Servants wages	368	20	—
Charges General	81	14	10
Charges Extraordinary	322	10	14
Repairs	998	33	63
Fortifications	842	—	31
Poonamalee & C^{a}. Villages	28	3	—
S^{t} : Thome &c^{a}. Villages	27	11	65
Expedition to Negrais	41	9	—
Allowances of the Court of Request	9	4	53
Household Necessaries	50	22	65
Charges Cattle	66	24	—
Charges Diet	583	12	—

Ballance due from him three thousand four hundred and thirty seven Pagodas, twenty three fanams & Eight Cash (3437. 23. 8) which is carried forward.

The Particulars of the Extraordinary Expences in the Paymasters account are Entered hereafter.

Henry Powney Sea Customer reads that account for last month Ballance due from him Ten thousand, seven hundred & Eighty nine Pagodas, fourteen fanams & fourty four Cash (10789. 14. 44) which is carried forward. Sea Customer.

Henry Powney Import Warehousekeeper reads that account for last Month Ballance due from him five thousand four hundred & ninety six Pagodas fifteen Fanams & sixty three Cash (5496. 15. 63) which is carried forward. Import Warehouse.

Alex^{r}. Wynch Storekeeper reads that account for last month Ballance due from him Eight hundred and sixty four Pagodas thirty five Fanams and Eleven Cash (864. 35. 11) which is carried forward. Storehouse.

John Smith Land Customer reads that account for last month Ballance due from him One hundred & sixty four Pagodas twenty six Fanams and Eleven Cash (164. 26. 11) which he now pays in. Land Customer.

Charles Bourchier Military Storekeeper reads that account for last Month Ballance due from him One hundred & four Pagodas twenty Eight fanams and thirteen Cash (104. 28. 13.) which is carried forward. Military Storekeeper.

Henry Powney Import Warehousek^{r}. pays in five thousand (5000) Pagodas on his Running Account. Impot. warehokr. pays in on his Running Account.

Tho^{s}. Saunders.
Cha^{s}: Boddam.
Henry Powney.
A^{r}: Wynch.
John Smith.
Ch^{s}: Bourchier.

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EXTRAORDINARY EXPENCES in the Paymasters accounts are in the following Particulars November 30th. 1753.

CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY .. .. Pags.	322	10	14
REPAIRS	998	33	63
FORTIFICATIONS	842	—	31
POONAMALLEE &ca. VILLAGES	108	3	—
ST. THOME &ca. VILLAGES	27	11	65
EXPEDITION to NEGRAIS	41	9	—
ALLOWANCES of the COURT of REQUESTS	9	4	53
HOUSEHOLD NECESSARIES	50	22	65
Pagods.	2499	23	51

ERRORS EXCEPTED.

℔ CHAS. BODDAM,
Paymaster.

TO THE HONBLE THOS: SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDT. & GOVR. &cA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

When Part of my Detachment at Pondicherry were seduced I promised to the rest of the soldiers, serjeants, &ca. as a Recompense for the Zeal & Fidelity they engaged to me & which they have kept to this time, to each of them a Gratuity of six Pagodas to be paid them in six months one Pagoda every Month. I request Honble sir & sirs that you will be pleased to order me to be reimbursed that sum.

The great Expences I am in a manner obliged to be at ever since I have been at Pondicherry exceeding the value of my Employ, and as I have received only half Batta ℔ Month whereas the other Captains in the Field have whole Batta tho' they are not obliged to be at the Expences I am, I flatter myself Honble Sir & sirs that you will please to favour me in this Respect, & allow me the other half Batta for the time I have been at Pondicherry.

I beg you will be assured that I shall always have the greatest Zeal & attachment possible for the Honble Companys service.

I am respectfully
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most humble & most Obedt. servant.
J: HENRY SCHAUB.

FORT ST: GEORGE
24TH. DECEM. 1753.

31 Arrived the Charles Schooner Carray Ballo syrang from Ingeram with General Letters from thence dated the 6th. & 24th. Instant and from Bandarmalanka dated the [*lacuna*] December.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR: GOVR: PRESIDT:
CHARLES BODDAM. HENRY POWNEY.
ALEXR. WYNCH. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of last Consultation dated the 24th. read and signed.

Mr. John Smith reports that he had visited the Hospital & found no cause of Complaint. Report of the Hospital.

General Letters read Vizt.

N. 208 and N. 209 from Foss Westcott Esqr. Resident at Ingeram, the first dated the 6th. December (being a Duplicate the Original which is not yet received) acknowledging the Receipt of our Letter of the 7th. Ulto. and in answer thereto acquainting us in Regard to our Observation that the Reasons he assigned for the smallness of his Investment must equally have affected Mr. Andrews. That he labours under many Inconveniencies his Predecessors never felt for the French having large supplies from the Country Government as it comes easily to them, so they pay little Regard to the sortment of their Goods as to the Lengths and Breadths and all the Cloth he rejects is immediately taken in by them at the full Price or a very little Abatement, and as he is order'd to be strict in his sortment no great Investment can be made till the French alter their Measures; Enclosing Journal Parcells & Cash account for last month. The other dated the 24th. Instant which was dispatched express by the Charles Schooner to acquaint us that he had reced a Letter from the Rajah advising that he had received Orders from Salabad Jung to obey Mr. Bussey as Nabob of the Province, he having granted him Phirmaunds for the Cunda Pillee, Ellore, Rajahmundrum & Chickakul countries and to join him in any Opposition that might be made him on that account, and that no Regard was to be paid Jafferally Cawn the former Nabob, as he was no longer so, that the Rajah advises him to look after the Places he is in Possession of, which Precaution he gives because the French have expressed a strong Desire to become Masters of Corringa, a Place that would enable them to cut off all Intercourse from Ingeram with the Sea That Mr. Pannor Chief of Narsipore is every day expected to take Possession of Rajahmundrum, and then proceed northward. Desiring to be supplied with ten Pieces of scarlet Cloth for annual Presents by the Return of the Schooner, and also some Match, advising that the whole Cloth on hand is 74 Bales & 125 Corge at the Wash. Genl. Letters from Ingeram read.

N. 210 from Mr. John Andrews at Bandarmalanka dated [*lacuna*] December giving the same account as Mr. Westcott of the Cowles granted by Salabat Jung to Monsr. Bussy Copy of which he encloses desiring our Directions for his Conduct on this occasion. Genl. Letter from Bandarmalanka.

Letter from Messrs. Henry Powney & John Smith attorneys to Messrs. Richard Starke & Cornelius Goodwin read as enter'd hereafter, setting forth that that their Constituents are Respondentia Creditors of Captain Edward Jacob deceased and that the sum of Pags. 1321. 26. 7 was deposited in the Company's Cash at Fort St. David by Mr. Thomas Cooke who took charge of that Estate which sum was the Produce of Goods left at Bencoolen by Captn. Jacob that voyage. That no other Persons are interested in it, & therefore desire that it may be paid to them. The said sum have been deposited in the Company's Cash for the Benefit of such of Captain Jacob's Creditors as should prove in due Course their Property in it, and as it is a Point settled doubt who are the legal Claimant it is AGREED that no Part of the said sum be paid without an Order of the Mayors Court. Letter from Messrs. Powney & Smith to be paid a sum deposited in cash, account Captn. Jacobs deceased. Not to be paid without an Order of the Mayors Court.

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Captn. Campbell desires an allowance for a Horse killed in action. Referr'd to Major Lawrence.

Letter from Captain Chas. Campbell read as entered hereafter Representing that when he was Adjutant at Camp being obliged to carry his Horse with him on all Duty's, he unfortunately lost him in an action at Syringham, desiring such allowance on that account as to the Board shall seem AGREED that it be referr'd to Major Lawrence to determine whether any & what allowance should be made for the said Horse.

Hadjee Addee Petitions[for] an allowance. to lye on the table.

The Petition of Hodjee Abdull Haddy being read setting forth his services to the Company and that he has been unemployed ever since April 1751 which has laid him and his Family under great Difficulties Praying such Relief as the Board shall think proper.

ORDER'D that the said Petition do lye on the Table.

Captn. Schaub's Request read last Consultn. referred to Major Lawrence.

The Request of Captain Schaub read at last Consultation and ordered to lye on the Table desiring to be reimbursed a Gratuity by him given to his Detachment and to be allowed whole Batta, being reconsider'd AGREED that the Case be represented to Major Lawrence and his Opinion taken thereon.

Salary & Diet due Mr. Hopkins paid. travelling charges.

An account of one years sallary and nine months & fifteen days Diet Money due to Mr. Charles Hopkins being laid before the Board amounting together to one hundred & nineteen Pags. twenty three fanams & thirty seven Cash (119. 23. 37) ORDER'D that it be paid & in consideration of his Extraordinary Expences in his tedious voyage from Ingeram that fifty (50) Pagodas be allowed him for travelling Charges.

The Duties collected of the Black Inhabitants on all Imports both by Land & Sea for the Maintenance and support of the several Pagodas in the Bounds being considerable and there being good Reason to surmise that more than what is allowed has some times been demanded, ORDER'D that the Managers of the said Pagodas do respectively deliver in an account of the several Rates of Duties by them collected and the authority by which they are demanded that the Board may be enabled to form such Resolution thereon as to them shall appear most for the Publick Good.

A Lack of Rupees to be sent to St. David. & Genl. Letter signed.

ORDER'D that a Lack of Rupees be sent to St. David in Boats as soon as the Weather permits, and that the several Officers now here who are ordered to proceed to camp take their Passage by the same Opportunity and that no Time may be lost when the Weather clears up, a General Letter to the Deputy Govr. & Council of Fort St. David advising them thereof is now signed to accompany the said Treasure.

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DeveCottah wrote to.

General Letter to Mr. Charles Hopkins Chief of DeveCotah is also signed acquainting him that We have appointed Captn. Lieut. John Innis to take the Command of the Troops there and that on his arrival Captain Pascal must proceed to Camp. That the Poolygars of DeveCotah complains he meets with Difficulties in collecting the Duties granted him, We therefore enclose a Copy of his Cowle and direct that he be supported in his Rights. That as the strength of that Garrison cannot admit of Detachments we would have the Party sent to Pallamcotah recalled.

Mint accott read.

Thomas Saunders Mint Master reads that account for last Month, Ballance then remaining in the Mint two thousand Eight hundred & seven Arcot Rupees twelve anaes (2807. 12. –) which is carried forward & thirty six current Pagodas thirteen fanams & fifty five Cash (36. 13. 55), and seventy One (71) Madrass Pagodas which are now paid in.

Export warehouse

Charles Boddam Export Wareho. kr. reads that account for last Month Ballance then due from him three hundred & forty seven Pagodas three fans. and fifty nine Cash (347. 3. 59) which is carried forward.

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John Smith Military Paymaster reads that account for last Month, Ballance due from him four hundred and thirty nine Pagodas two fanams and fifty two Cash (439. 2. 52) which is carried forward. Military Paymr.

The Accountant lays before the Board the Journal Parcels for October. Journal Parcells.

The Commissary lays before the Board his accounts to Ultimo November. Commissary accott.

The Engineer's account of Materials used and Expences attending the Fortifications & Repairs is also produced & examined. Engineer's accot.

Two setts of Bills of Exchange of this Date and now signed, drawn on the Honble Court of Directors payable at Ninety days sight at seven shillings and Eight Pence ℔ Pagoda Vizt. Bills on the Court of Directors signed.

Setts.		£.	s.	d.	Pags.	fa.	ca.
1	To Mrs. Eleanor Powney or Order value of Mr. Henry Powney	126	8	6	329	29	8
1	To Charles & Elizabeth Lucas or Order value of Mr. Henry Powney	54	16	4	143	—	—
2	Setts amounting to .. .. .. £.	181	4	10	472	29	8

Henry Powney Sea Customer pays in on his running account five thousand (5000) Pagodas. Money paid in by the Import Warehokrs

Henry Powney Import Warehousekeeper pays in five thousand (5000) Pagodas. Sea Customer &

Henry Powney Import Warehousekeeper pays in four thousand five hundred & ninety four Pagods. twenty one fanams & thirty three Cash (4594.21. 33) on account of Rupees sold. for Rupees sold.

Agreed that the following Advances be made out of Cash. Advances out of Cash

To the Paymaster two thousand (2000) Pagodas for the Charges of that Employ. To Paymaster

To the Commissary Eleven thousand four hundred and five Pagods. fourteen fanams & forty Eight Cash (11405. 14. 48) to defray the Charges of the Troops abroad. Commissary

To the Military Paymaster four thousand four [*sic*] hundred & forty Pagodas, Nineteen fanams & thirty seven Cash (4540. 19. 37) to pay the Military. Military Paymr.

To the Military Storekeeper Three hundred (300) Pags. for the Charges of that Employ. Military Storekr.

Thos: Saunders.
Chas: Boddam.
Henry Powney.
Ar: Wynch.
John Smith.
Chs: Bourchier.

To the Honble Thomas Saunders Esqr.

President & Govr. &ca. Council of Fort St: George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Being Adjutant was obliged to carry my Horse with me on all Duties, and having had the Misfortune of losing him on the Honble Company's service in an

action with the Enemy upon Syringham Island, I take the Liberty of requesting your Honours will be pleased to take it into Considertaion & allow me such Recompense as has been usual in the like Circumstances, or you may judge fit.

I am
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
With Respect
Your most Obedient & most
humble Servant
CHARLES CAMPBELL.

FORT ST. GEORGE
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TO THE HONBLE THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQR.
PRESIDT. & GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST: GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Being Attorney's to Messrs. Richard Starke and Cornelius Goodwin who are Respondentia Creditors of Captn. Edward Jacob deceas'd on ship Princess Augusta her Voyage to Bencoolen 1745 and by Enquiry find the sum of Pags. 1321. 26. 7 was deposited in the Company's Cash at Fort St. David by Mr. Thomas Cooke who took charge of the Estate. The above sum appears to be the produce of Goods left at Bencoolen by Captain Jacob that Voyage, and remitted to Fort St. David by his Attorney Roger Carter as by his Letter to the Governor & Council of that Place. Captain Jacob had likewise taken up Respondentia of several Gentlemen for the same Voyage, and the ship being unfortunately taken by Angria, and he carried Prisoner to Gariah*, from whence he wrote a Letter to Mr. Samuel Barlow, acquainting him that he and Mr. Goodwin, had no Risque on board the ship which he had declared at Bencoolen, but every Body else had their Risque on board, when the ship was taken by the Enemy. Mr. Starke become a Respondentia Creditor by Mr. Samuel Barlow making over the Bond to him, and as we think these Gentlemen intitled to the Money deposited in the Companys Cash We desire your Honour &cs. will please to order the same to be paid us.

We are
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedt. humble Servant

JOHN SMITH.
HENRY POWNEY.

FORT ST. GEORGE
31ST DECEM. 1753.

Gariah or *Viziadrug* (*Viziageriah*) is three miles south of Rajapur in lat. 16° 33′ 32″ N.. and long. 73° 19′ 15″ E. . - It was held by Angria and was bombarded and taken in 1775 by Admiral Watson and Clive.—Cyclopaedia of India by Edward Balfour, Vol. III, page 1030.

LIST OF THE HONBLE COMPANY'S COVENANT SERVANTS on the COAST of CHOROMANDEL 1753.

Persons Names.	Time of arrival.	Station at arrival.	Salary at Arrival.	Present station.	Present Establishment.	Present Employment.	Present salary.	Gratuity.	Age.
Thomas Saunders Esqr.	14th. July 1732 ..	Writer ..	£ 5	Governour ..	Fort St. George.	President of the Council, Cash keeper & Mint Master.	200	100	41
Richard Starke ..	29 Decem. 1735.	Do. entertd. ..	5	2d. of Council.	Fort St. David.	Deputy Governour ..	100	..	32
Charles Boddam ..	13 March 1736 ..	Do. ..	5	3d. Do.	Fort St. George.	Export Warehousekeeper and Paymaster.	70	..	33
Henry Powney ..	7th. Augt. 1736 ..	Do. ..	5	4th. Do.	Fort St. George.	Sea Customer, Import Warehousekeeper, and Accountant.	50	..	36
George Pigot ..	26 July 1737 ..	Do. ..	5	5th. Do.	Vizagapatam ..	Chief	40	..	33
Foss Westcott ..	7 Febry. 1740/1.	Do. entertd. ..	5	6th. Do.	Ingeram ..	Resident	40	..	31
Alexr. Wynch ..	15 Augt. 1740.	Do. do. ..	5	7th. Do.	Fort St. George...	Storekeeper & Commissary.	40	..	32
Thomas Cooke ..	Do.	Do. do. ..	5	8th. Do.	Fort St. David ..	2d. of Council Export & Import Warehousekeeper and Accountant.	40	..	29
John Smith ..	Do.	Do. ..	5	9th. Do.	Fort St. George.	Land Customer and Military Paymaster.	40	..	29
Chas. Bourchier ..	30th. Decem. 1741.	Do. ..	5	10th. Do.	Do.	Military Storekeeper, Rental General and Scavenger.	40	..	25
Edward Croke ..	18th. Janry. 1708.	Do. ..	5	Senr. Mercht ..	Fort St. David ..	....	..	200	62
William Perceval ..	18 Do. 1745/6.	Factor entertd.	15	Do. ..	Fort St. George.	Upper Searcher of the Sea Gate.	40	..	48
Dawsonne Drake ..	18 July 1742 ..	Writer ..	5	Do. ..	Fort St. David ..	....	40		29
Samuel Banks ..	28 June 1743 ..	Do. ..	5	Junr. Mercht ..	Vizagapatam ..	2d. of Council, Accountant, Warehousekeeper & Paymaster.	30	..	31
John Walsh ..	20th Do. ..	Do. ..	5	do. ..	..	Supravizor at the West Coast.	30	..	27
John Andrews ..	20th Do. ..	Do. entertd. ..	5	do. ..	Madapollam ..	Resident	30	..	39

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Persons Names.	Time of arrival.	Station at arrival.	Salary at Arrival.	Present station.	Present Establishment.	Present Employment	Present salary.	Gratuity.	Age.
John Pybus ..	28 June 1743 ..	Writer ..	£5	Junr. Mercht. ..	..	Supravisor at the West Coast.	30	..	25
Hugh Norris ..	1 Decem. 1744 ..	Do. ..	5	Do. ..	Fort St. David ..	3d. of Council, Paymaster & Military Paymaster.	30	..	25
Alexander Baird ..	Do. ..	Do. ..	5	Do. ..	Do. ..	Under the Secretary ..	30	..	28
Samuel Ardley ..	28th. April 1749.	Factor ..	15	Factor ..	Fort St. George.	Register of the Choultry..	15	..	28
Robert Sloper ..	8 Septr. 1749 ..	Do. ..	15	Do. ..	Fort St. David ..	4th. of Council, Customer of Cuddalore.	15	..	50
Edward Edwards ..	Do. ..	Do. ..	15	Do. ..	Fort St. George.	Assay Master	15	80	28
William Norris ..	22d. Sept. 1749.	Do. ..	15	Do. ..	..	Not yet arrived from the West Coast.	..	..	..
Chas. Hopkins ..	1st. Jan. 1750 ..	Do. ..	15	Do. ..	Deve Cotah ..	Chief	15	..	47
Henry Vansittart..	5 Novr. 1746 ..	Writer ..	5	Do. ..	Fort St. George..	Under Searcher of the Sea Gate & Translator.	15	30	21
John Starke ..	6th. April 1747.	Do. ..	5	Do. ..	Fort St. David ..	Under Paymaster ..	15	..	23
Richd. Fairfield ..	8th. Octobr. 1746.	Do. ..	5	Do. ..	Fort St. George.	Sub-Accountant	15	100	23
Chas. Turner ..	14th. Febry. 1747.	Do. ..	5	Do. ..	Do.	Register of the Sea Gate ..	15	..	21
Josias Du Pré ..	10 June 1752 ..	Factor ..	15	Do ..	Do.	Secretary, Sollicitor & Clerk of the Peace.	15	55	32
John Browning ..	17th. June ..	Do. ..	15	Do. ..	Do.	Under Export Warehouse-keeper.	15	..	42
Jas. Alexander ..	8 July ..	Do. ..	15	Do. ..	Do.	Under the Accountant ..	15	..	23
John Smith ..	10th. Augt. ..	Do. ..	15	Do. ..	Do.	Under Paymaster ..	15	..	44
John Lewen Smith.	10th. Augt. ..	Do. ..	15	Do. ..	Vizagapatam ..	Storekeeper	15	..	27
Andrew Newton ..	17th. June ..	Do. ..	15	Do. .	Fort St. David ..	Under the Warehouse-keeper.	15	..	25
Charles Saunders ..	8 July ..	Do. ..	15	Do. ..	Do. ..	Steward & Under the Secretary.	15	..	28
Daniel Morse ..	28th. Do. ..	Do. ..	15	Do. ..	Fort St. George.	Register of the Mayors Court.	15	..	19

List of the Honble Companys Covenant Servants on the Coast of Choromandel 1753—*cont.*

Persons Names.	Time of arrival.	Station at arrival.	Salary at Arrival.	Present station.	Present Establishment.	Present Employment	Present salary.	Gratuity.	Age.
Chs. Simpson ..	May 28th. 1751 ..	Writer ..	5	Writer ..	Fort St. George ..	Under the Accountant ..	5	..	20
George Stratton ...	17th. June	Do. ..	5	Do. ..	Do.	Under the Secretary ..	5	..	19
Philip Fras. Greenslate.	28 May ..	Do. ..	5	Do. ..	Fort St. David ..	Under the Accountant ..	5	..	18
George Dawson ..	7th. July ..	Do. ..	5	Do. ..	Fort St. George..	Under the storekeeper ..	5	..	20
Marmaduke Best ..	Do. ..	Do. ..	5	Do. ..	Vizagapatam ..	Secretary & Assistant ..	5		21
Mathew Clarke ..	Do. ..	Do. ..	5	Do. ..	Fort St. George.	Under the Secretary ..	5		18
James Bourchier ..	12th. June ..	Do. entertd.	5	Do. ..	Do. ..	Under the Import Warehousekeeper.	5		21
Peter St. Paul ..	Do. ..	Do. Do. ..	5	Do. ..	Fort St. David ..	5th. of Council Sea & Land Customer of Tevenepatam, Storekr. Military Storekr. & Secry.	5		28
Henry Brooke ..	9th. Augt. ..	Do. ..	5	Do. ..	Negrais ..		5		25
John Carey	Do. ..	Do. ..	5	Do. ..	Fort St. David ..	Under the Accountant ..	5		20
John Calland	7th. July ..	Do. ..	5	Do. ..	Ingeram ..	Assistant	5		18
Thomas Maunsell	9th. Augt. ..	Do. ..	5	Do. ..		At Camp	5		19
Richd. Brickenden.	12th. June 1752.	Do. ..	5	Do. ..	DeveCotah ..	Assistant	5		20
Henry Eustc. Johnson.	8th. July ..	Do. ..	5	Do. ..	Fort St. David ..	Under the Secretary ..	5		19
John Whitehill ..	3d. Augt. ..	Do. ..	5	Do. ..	Fort St. George.	Do.	5		18
Claud Russell ..	17th. June ..	Do. ..	5	Do. ..	Do. ..	Sub Secretary & Accountant General of the Mayors Court.	5		20
George Dolben ..	12 June ..	Do. ..	5	Do. ..	Do. ..	Under the Secretary ..	5		20
John Percival ..	3 Augt. ..	Do. ..	5	Do. ..		Lieutt. at Camp	5		18
Thos. Rumbold ..	12 June ..	Do. ..	5	Do. ..		Do.	5		18
George Pyne	24th. July 1753.	Do. ..	5	Do. ..	Fort St George ..	Under the Secretary ..	5		21
Chas. Smith	11th. July ..	Do. ..	5	Do. ..	Do.	Do.	5		18
Alexr. Dalrymple.	11th. May ..	Do. ..	5	Do. ..	Do.	Do.	5		17
John Davidson ..	9 June ..	Do. ..	5	Do. ..	Do.	Do.	5		19

The Reverend Mr. Samuel Stavely }
Reverned Mr : Robert Palk } Chaplains.

Mr : Andrew Monroe }
Mr : Robert Turing } Surgeons.

Fort St : George
31st. December 1753.

Joss. Dupré
Secry.

List of inhabitants not in Service of the Honble United Company.

Men.	Time of arrival.	Ships Names.	Whether with or without Leave.	Married Women.	Unmarried women.	Widows.	Children.
Samuel Greenhaugh.	2d. June 1729 ..	Duke of York ..	Late a Company's Servt. ..	Sophia Wynch	Honoria Sommerville.	Hanah Greenhaugh.	Willm. [Wynch.]
[John] Edwards ..	7th. August 1736..	Shaftesbury ..	Free Merchant	Ann Bourchier.	Ann Sommerville.	Mary Powney.	Alexr. [Wynch.]
[George] Mackay..	..	..	Do.	Mary Munro.	Elizabeth small.	Phoebe Graham.	Har [. .]
[Salomon] Salomons.	20th. July 1739 ..	Grantham ..	Do.	Ann Demare.	Sarah Stratton.	Antonia de Medeira.	Robt. D[uncon..]
[Salomon]France.	30th. Septr. 1743 at Bombay.	Princess of Wales.	Do.	Fraces Griffen.	Frances Morse	Grace Mansell.	Hugh [John.]
[Ephraim] Isaac..	11 Decr. 1745 ..	Kent ..	Do.	Chatherine De la mettrie.	Emelia Morse. Frances Rouse	Ann Walton.	John [. .]
[Samuel] Moses ..	26 Septr. 1746 at Bengal.	Marlbro ..	Do.	Susanna Campbell.		Mary Nortleigh.	Leu [. .]
[Norton] Nicolls ..	8th. Septr. 1749 ..	Severn ..	Do.	Mary Taylor.	..	..	Fr[ances].
[David] Lopeznernandes.	4th. July 1749 ..	Brittania ..	Do.	Leonora Jackson.	..	..	[*A few names lost*].
[Samuel] de Castro.	Do. ..	Do. ..	Do.	Ann Innes ..	..	..	Maria D [..]
[William] Roberts.	1750 at Bengal ..	Lynn ..	Do.	..	..	..	Den [. .]
[Andrew] Ross ..	17th. June 1752 ..	Colchester ..	Do.	..	..	..	..
Nicholas Morse ..	29th. July 1753 ..	Elizabeth ..	Do.	..	..	..	..
Francis Muriel ..	24 Do. 1753 ..	Falmouth ..	Do.	..	..	..	..
[Edmund] Massey.	29 Do. 1753 ..	Elizabeth ..	Do.	..	..	..	..
[James] Munroe ..	24th. June 1753 ..	Boscawen ..	Do.	..	..	..	..
Edward Burman..	14th. July 1736 ..	Grantham ..	with the Company's License.	..	..	..	..
[Peter] Downes ..	5th. Octobr. 1750 at Bengal.	Benjamin ..	Do.	..	..	..	..
Ralph Taylor ..	12th. June 1750 ..	Hardwick ..	Do.	..	..	..	..
Robt. Wauch ..	1752 at Bombay.	Royal Duke ..	Do.	..	..	..	..
John Newcomb ..	3d. July 1753 ..	Montfort ..	Do.	..	..	..	..
Peter Eckman ..	August 1706 ..	..	In the Military service ..	..	..	..	..
John De Morgan..	August 1710 ..	Bouvery ..	Do. ..	..	..	..	..
Peter Dencker ..	20th. July 1726 at Bencoolen.	Cadogan ..	Do. ..	..	..	..	..
Joseph Bacon ..	12th. June 1740 ..	Princess of Wales.	Do. ..	..	..	..	..
Hendrik Smith ..	1741 ..	Caesar ..	Engaged in Do. has served his contracted Time and got his Discharge.	..	..	..	..
John Standard ..	31 Decr. 1716 at Bombay.	Sarum ..	By Governor Boons Permission.	..	..	..	..

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LIST OF INHABITANTS NOT IN SERVICE OF THE HONBLE UNITED COMPANY—*cont.*

Men.	Time of arrival.	Ship name.	Whether with or without Leave.
Samuel Troutback.	14 Novr. 1719 ..	King George ..	Cast away near Sadrass and has since been in the Country Service.
Isaac Merrigeot ..	1738 ..	Lyle ..	The ship being stranded at Bengal he remains in the Country service. Now an attorney in the Mayors Court.
Nathaniel Hammond.	1735 at Bengal ..	Defence ..	Left behind sick, now Captn. of the Compys sloop Cuddalore.
Thomas Savage ..	24 Septr. 1740 ..	Durrington ..	Left behind without the Company's License.
John Norris ..	28 April 1744 ..	Prince of Wales ..	Left here sick .. ..
John Stanton ..	7th. Febry. 1745/6.	Medway Man of War.	Taken Prisoner in the Expedition Prize.
John Palmer ..	1st. August 1746 ..	Bombay Castle ..	Without the Company's License.
Christopher Mc. Clean.	16th. April 1746 ..	Princess Mary ..	That ship being taken by the French remains in India & is now employed as a Master Brick [layer] on our Fortifications.
Francis Taylor ..	1747 at Bengal ..	Tryal Snow ..	Captn of said Vessell ..
John Sprat ..	1748 ..	Winchelsea Surgeon of that ship.	Stranded at Fort St. David 1749.
Thomas Duffield ..	June 1748 ..	Edgecote ..	In the Royal Train under Major[. . . .]now employed as a Master Carpenter on the Wor [k . . . .],
Mathew Lynch ..	In 1749 from Manilha.	..	Without License, is now employed in the Trade between this & that Place.
Herbert Sutherland.	1749	Tartar Man of War	Discharged to enter into Country service.
Christopher Olliphant.	11th. May 1751 ..	St. George 4th. Mate of that ship.	Left behind sick ..
James Bound ..	29th. July 1753 ..	Elizabeth	Discharged to remain in [. . .] order of Consultation.
Robert Todd ..	Do. ..	Do.	
Thomas Taylor ..	..	..	..
John Murphey ..	..	..	..
George Ivie ..	..	..	..
Robt. Jackson	..	..	..

LIST OF THE HONBLE COMPANYS REVENUES IN FORT ST: GEORGE HAVE PRODUCED FROM 1ST. JANRY. 1753. TO 31 DECR. 1753.

FIXED REVENUES.

POONAMALLE.

This Cowle granted to Rayal Pundat for one Year commencing the 1st. July 1753 ending 1st. July 1754 at two half yearly Payments .. .. 35000 — —

[ST. THOME]

Cowle granted to Subramoney Moodelaire & Linga Chittee for five years and six Months commencing 1st. December 1750 ending Ulto. May 1756 at two equal half yearly payments .. 4000

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Brought Over ..	39,000	—	—
[Egmore &ca Villages] The Farm let to Gruah for six years commencing Primo September 1749 ending Ulto August 1755 at one annual Payment	1450	—	—
[The] Company's old Garden. The Farm let to Linga Chitty and Gruapah for five Years commencing Primo Decr. 1749 ending ulto. Novr. 1754 at one annual Payment	250	—	—
[Per]embore &ca. Villages. The Farm let to Gruapah for six years commencing primo September 1749 ending Ulto. August 1755 at one annual Payment	700	—	—
[Tri]vitore &ca. villages. The Farm let to Linga Chittee for six years commencing primo September 1749 ending August 1755 at one annual Payment	1300	—	—
Paddy fields & Salt pans. The Farm let to Linga Chittee & Gruapah for five years, commencing Primo Decem. 1749 ending Ulto. Novem. 1754 at one annual Payment ..	750	—	—
Beetle & Tobacco Farm. The Cowle granted to Pitloor Vencaty Kistnah & Permal Kellavah Chittee for five Years commencing 1st. March 1752 ending 1st. March 1757 at 12 monthly Payments	8000	—	—
Arrack & Wine License. The Cowle granted to Pitloor Vincaty Kistnah & Permal Kellavah Chittee for five Years commencing 1st. March 1757 at 12 Monthly Payments ..	4000	—	—
Weighing & Measuring Duty. The Cowle granted to Pitloor Vencaty Kistnah & Permall Kellavah Chitty for five years commencing 1st. March 1752 ending 1st. March 1757 at six equal Payments	1000	—	—
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